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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 [There is no reportable action as a result of the
2 Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE FEBRUARY 10, 2015 MEETING OF THE
7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BEGIN. FIRST WE'LL BE LED IN PRAYER
8 BY PASTOR NEUENSCHWANDER, PASTOR OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
9 CHURCH IN SAN PEDRO IN THE FOURTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AND
10 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY LARRY WILLIAMS WHO SERVED AS A
11 PRIVATE IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY FROM THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL
12 DISTRICT. AND THE AUDIENCE WILL PLEASE RISE. PASTOR?

13

14 **PASTOR NEUENSCHWANDER:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. LET US PRAY.
15 GRACIOUS AND HOLY GOD, YOU HAVE MADE FOR US A BROAD AND BUT IN
16 COUNTY, TEEMING OCEANS, SOARING MOUNTAINS, SUN KISSED PLAINS
17 DECLARE YOUR PRAISE. YOU'VE ALSO GIVEN US A BEAUTIFUL LEGACY
18 OF PUBLIC GARDENS AND MUSEUMS AND FINE PARKS, STUDIOS BRING IN
19 TOURISTS, COLLEGES BRING IN STUDENTS, STADIUMS BRING IN FANS,
20 THE WEATHER'S AMAZING. THEN WE HAVE OUR SHARE OF PROBLEMS.
21 SOME CITIZENS WALK THE STREETS WITH NO PLACE TO LIVE. SOME
22 SEARCH FOR CLOTHES AND FOOD IN TRASH CANS. MANY ARE
23 DISCOURAGED BY THE LONG AND ARDUOUS PROCESS OF FINDING A
24 DECENT JOB. OTHERS WORK TWO OR THREE JOBS BUT STILL CAN'T EARN
25 ENOUGH TO BE SECURE. SOME KIDS WALK TO SCHOOL THROUGH A CLOUD

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1 OF INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION. OTHERS WALK TO SCHOOL PAST WALLS
2 STREWN WITH GRAFFITI FROM COMPETING GANGS. AS THIS BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS SEEKS TO ADDRESS THESE VARIED PROBLEMS, DON'T LET
4 THEM BE CONSUMED BY THE MINUTIA OF THIS WORK BECOMING JUST
5 MANAGERS OF THE STATUS QUO. INSTEAD, GIVE THEM THE COMPASSION
6 THAT THEY NEED TO ASSIST THOSE WHO ARE STRUGGLING, THE WISDOM
7 THAT THEY NEED TO BALANCE COMPETING INTERESTS, THE
8 PERSEVERANCE THAT THEY NEED TO SEE A GOOD PLAN THROUGH. MOST
9 OF ALL, GIVE THEM THE VISION TO CREATE AN EVEN BETTER COUNTY,
10 FOR YOU ARE THE CREATOR OF EVERYTHING THAT IS LOVING, JUST AND
11 GOOD. GUIDE US BY YOUR SPIRIT, FOR WE ASK IT IN YOUR HOLY
12 NAME, AMEN.

13

14 **LARRY WILLIAMS:** GOOD MORNING. PLEASE REMAIN STANDING WHILE WE
15 DO THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, PLEASE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
16 RECITED.]

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL? (OFF MIC.
19 CONVERSATIONS).

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21 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, IT'S MY GREAT PLEASURE TO
22 THANK AND INTRODUCE TO YOU A GENTLEMAN WHO LED US IN THE
23 PLEDGE THIS MORNING, LARRY WILLIAMS. AND HE WAS IN THE 23RD
24 INFANTRY DIVISION, 196TH LIGHT INFANTRY, WINNER-- NOT WINNER,
25 I'M SORRY, AWARDEE OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL. HE IS IN

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1 MANAGEMENT AT THE MOMENT. HE WAS EDUCATED IN MY PARENTS '
2 HOMETOWN OF ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, WENT TO LINCOLN UNIVERSITY,
3 AND IS ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF U.S. VETS. PLEASE THANK HIM.
4 [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** PLEASE BE SEATED. MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE
7 BOARD, IT'S MY PLEASURE TO HAVE PASTOR NEAL NEUENSCHWANDER--
8 IS THAT PRETTY CLOSE?

9

10 **PASTOR NEUENSCHWANDER:** YOU GOT IT.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT, NEUENSCHWANDER WHO IS A PASTOR OF FIRST
13 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN SAN PEDRO HE'S A NATIVE OF KNOXVILLE,
14 TENNESSEE, AND HAS PREVIOUSLY SERVED CHURCHES IN GEORGIA,
15 TENNESSEE, WASHINGTON STATE, BEFORE MOVING TO THE GREAT STATE
16 OF CALIFORNIA. HE WAS DRAWN TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF
17 SAN PEDRO BECAUSE OF HIS LONG-STANDING HEART TO SERVE THE MOST
18 VULNERABLE POPULATIONS IN OUR COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY THE
19 HUNGRY, HOMELESS, AGING AND AT RISK YOUTH. HE COLLABORATES
20 WITH CITY AND COUNTY LEADERS, DOES AN EXCELLENT JOB WORKING
21 WITH US IN THE VITAL WORK HIS CHURCH PLAYS FOR OUR COMMUNITY
22 LEADERS EVERY SINGLE WEEK. REVEREND NEUENSCHWANDER, ON BEHALF
23 OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES ON THE BOARD, WE WANT TO THANK YOU
24 FOR TAKING THE TIME OUT OF YOUR VERY BUSY SCHEDULE TO LEAD US
25 IN THE INVOCATION. AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, THANK YOU FOR THE

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1 WONDERFUL WORK YOU DO EACH AND EVERY DAY THERE IN SAN PEDRO

2 AND THE REGION DOWN THERE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** GOOD MORNING, MR. MAYOR AND
5 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE
6 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ON ITEM 1-D,
7 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS
8 ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING. HOUSING
9 AUTHORITY. ON ITEM 1-H, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT
10 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 5, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1
11 THROUGH 9, ON ITEM NO. 1, THIS INCLUDES THE ADDITIONS AS
12 POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ON THIS ITEM, A MEMBER
13 OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 3,
14 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
15 ITEM NO. 6, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
16 BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO FEBRUARY 24, 2015. ON ITEM NO. 8 AND
17 NO. 9, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE
18 HELD. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
19 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK
22 RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECOND, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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24 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON PAGE 8, CONSENT
25 CALENDARS, ITEMS 10 THROUGH 36. ON ITEM NO. 11, A MEMBER OF

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1 THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 12,
2 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS
3 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 13, THE INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE
4 OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO
5 FEBRUARY 24, 2015. ON ITEM NO. 14, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
6 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 15, SUPERVISOR
7 RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
8 FEBRUARY 17, 2015. AND ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
9 ALSO WOULD LIKE TO HOLD IT. ON ITEM NO. 17, SUPERVISOR SOLIS
10 AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
11 ITEMS NO. 18 AND 19, A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST
12 THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 22, THE DIRECTOR OF
13 PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO
14 FEBRUARY 24, 2015. ON ITEM NO. 25, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A
15 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM
16 NO. 29, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
17 HELD. AND ON ITEM NO. 30, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT
18 THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
19 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.
22 SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

23

24 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON PAGE 22, ORDINANCES FOR
25 INTRODUCTION, ITEMS 37 AND 38. ON ITEM 37, THIS IS AN

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1 ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 2,
2 ADMINISTRATION, RELATING TO THE SMALL CRAFT HARBOR'S DESIGN
3 CONTROL BOARD TO EXTEND THE SUNSET REVIEW DATE FOR THE DESIGN
4 CONTROL BOARD TO MARCH 31, 2019. AND ON THIS ITEM, A MEMBER OF
5 THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT IT BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 38, THIS IS
6 AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 11,
7 HEALTH AND SAFETY RELATING TO WATER CONSERVATION REQUIREMENTS
8 FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY BY REVISING THE
9 FINES FOR VIOLATION FROM \$100 TO \$500. THIS MOTION IS BEFORE
10 YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECOND
13 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** AND ON PAGE 27, NOTICES OF
16 CLOSED SESSION, THIS INCLUDES ITEM C.S.-2 AS POSTED ON THE
17 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
18 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
19 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 4.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. IT IS MY
24 PLEASURE TO WELCOME MR. RICHARD POWERS UP HERE. I THINK ALL OF
25 US HAVE MET RICHARD ONE WAY OR ANOTHER OVER THE YEARS. HE'S

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1 CELEBRATING 50 YEARS IN PUBLIC SERVICE. HE'S CURRENTLY THE
2 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR THE GATEWAY CITIES COUNCIL OF
3 GOVERNMENTS. AND I WAS REMINDED BY HIM THIS MORNING THAT THIS
4 IS A THANK YOU FOR 50 YEARS OF SERVICE, NOT A RETIREMENT.
5 CORRECT? ALL RIGHT. SO I GOT THAT RIGHT. FOR THOSE OF YOU THAT
6 DON'T KNOW, DICK POWERS HAS SPENT OVER 50 YEARS IN LOCAL
7 GOVERNMENT IN CALIFORNIA. ALMOST 40 OF THOSE YEARS HAVE BEEN
8 SPENT IN THE GATEWAY CITIES SUBREGION AND IN LOS ANGELES
9 COUNTY ETH EITHER AS A CITY MANAGER, PLANNING, ECONOMIC
10 DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, AND NOW AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
11 GATEWAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS FOR SOUTHEAST LOS
12 ANGELES COUNTY. AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE GATEWAY CITIES
13 COUNCIL, HE BROUGHT TOGETHER 27 CITIES INCLUDING THE CITY OF
14 LONG BEACH, THE PORT OF LONG BEACH AND THE COUNTY OF LOS
15 ANGELES INTO A JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY TO ADDRESS MAJOR URBAN
16 INITIATIVES OF THE SUBREGION. AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, HE WAS
17 VERY INSTRUMENTAL IN BRINGING TOGETHER 20 PUBLIC AGENCIES TO
18 ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF THE 710 FREEWAY CORRIDOR. ADDITIONALLY,
19 HE, ALONG WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF TWO OTHER
20 SUBREGIONS, WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN CREATING THE SAN GABRIEL AND
21 LOWER LOS ANGELES RIVERS AND MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY, THE FIRST
22 URBAN CONSERVANCY IN THE GREAT STATE OF CALIFORNIA. SO WE WANT
23 TO COMMEND HIM. I WOULD JUST ADD ON A PERSONAL NOTE, I'VE
24 KNOWN DICK FOR A VERY, VERY LONG TIME. HIS ABILITY TO BRING
25 PEOPLE TOGETHER TO COLLABORATE, THE SOUTHEAST C.O.G., THE

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1 GATEWAY C.O.G. IS ONE OF THE FIRST C.O.G.S TO STEP UP TO THE
2 PLATE AND UNDERSTAND THAT HOMELESSNESS IS NOT AN ISSUE IN JUST
3 DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES. IT'S THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE COUNTY. AND
4 WITH HIS EFFORTS OUT THERE, I BELIEVE YOU SAID WE HAVE NOW--
5 YOU'RE JUST IN THE PROCESS, WE HAVE 600 HOMELESS FOLKS THAT
6 ARE PERMANENTLY HOUSED IN THE FIRST TWO YEARS. PERMANENTLY
7 HOUSED. AND SO, DICK, WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR 50 YEARS OF
8 SERVICE TO EVERYONE. BUT MORE IMPORTANT 50 MORE, HOW'S THAT?
9 ALL RIGHT. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **RICHARD POWERS:** IT'S AN HONOR FOR ME TO RECEIVE THIS THIS
12 MORNING AND IT'S EQUALLY AN HONOR FOR ME TO TELL YOU HOW
13 IMPORTANT AN ALLY THE COUNTY HAS BEEN THROUGH THOSE 40 YEARS
14 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE C.O.G. HAS CELEBRATED 20 YEARS THIS
15 YEAR, AND THE COUNTY WAS ONE OF THE MAJOR FUNDING AGENCIES ON
16 OUR INTERIM BEFORE THE CITIES CAME UP WITH THE FUNDING
17 STRUCTURE. SO TO ME, THERE HAVE BEEN TWO JOYS WITH THIS 50-
18 YEAR CAREER: ONE, SEEING LOCAL GOVERNMENT REALLY SERVE THE
19 PEOPLE THAT WE'RE ELECTED TO SERVE; AND, SECONDLY, BRINGING
20 ALL THE AGENCIES TOGETHER WITH LEADERSHIP FROM THE COUNTY AND
21 THE OTHER MAJOR CITIES IN THE COUNTY TO MAKE ALL THIS HAPPEN.
22 THANK YOU AGAIN VERY, VERY MUCH.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS:** SUPERVISOR KNABE MAY I ADD? I ALSO WANT TO
25 CONGRATULATE YOU, MR. POWERS, FOR YOUR WORK. I REMEMBER

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1 WORKING WITH YOU AS WE WERE CRAFTING THE LEGISLATION THAT I
2 CARRIED REGARDING THE RIVER MOUNTAIN CONSERVANCY AS IT'S KNOWN
3 NOW. THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK AND WE CONTINUE TO LOOK FORWARD
4 FOR MANY MORE YEARS TO WORKING IN COLLABORATION. SO THANK YOU
5 SO MUCH AND CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU.

6

7 **RICHARD POWERS:** AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU AS OUR
8 NEW SUPERVISOR. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AT THIS TIME WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE ONE
11 OF THE MEMBERS OF OUR JUDICIARY WHOM I'VE KNOWN FOR MANY,
12 MANY, MANY YEARS AND THAT'S JUDGE JANICE CROFT WHO HAS SERVED
13 WITH DISTINCTION ON OUR MUNICIPAL AND SUPERIOR COURTS. SHE WAS
14 APPOINTED TO THE MUNICIPAL COURT BACK IN 1984 BY GOVERNOR
15 DEUKMEJIAN AND THEN APPOINTED TO THE SUPERIOR COURT IN 1986.
16 AND SHE WAS ASSIGNED TO THE COMPTON COURTHOUSE AND LATER TO
17 THE PASADENA COURTHOUSE. SHE RECEIVED HER BACHELOR'S DEGREE
18 FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES AND HER LAW
19 DEGREE WAS FROM CALIFORNIA WESTERN SCHOOL OF LAW. JANICE HAS
20 BEEN INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY. SHE ATTENDS ALL OF THE VARIOUS
21 VETERANS AFFAIRS EVENTS WE HAVE AND OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS. SO
22 SHE'S BEEN A PART OF THE COMMUNITY, AND SHE'S BEEN A REAL GOOD
23 ROLE MODEL FOR YOUNG LAWYERS TO EMULATE WHEN THEY BECAME A
24 JUDGE. JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE ON THE BENCH DOES NOT PRECLUDE YOU

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1 FROM BEING ACTIVE IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS. AND SO, JANICE,
2 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **JUDGE JANICE CROFT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS RECOGNITION.
5 I'VE ENJOYED MY 30 YEARS ON THE BENCH AND SERVING THIS COUNTY.
6 I HAVEN'T DONE IT ON MY OWN. I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE SOME
7 FRIENDS WHO HAVE COME TO HELP ME CELEBRATE TODAY. MY GOOD
8 FRIEND, GEORGE HUMPHREYS AND MY FORMER LAW PARTNER.
9 [APPLAUSE.] MY SUPERVISING JUDGE FOR THE LAST 20 SOMETHING
10 YEARS, JUDGE MARY THORNTON-HOUSE. [APPLAUSE.] AND SOME
11 ATTORNEYS. I HAVE DEBRA ARCHULETA. I HAVE MARK CARRILLO AND,
12 DON'T TELL ME-- KATHY BONAGUIDI, ALL RIGHT, KATHERINE. BUT
13 IT'S MY PLEASURE. THANK YOU FOR THIS RECOGNITION.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU FORGOT ONE OTHER PERSON, JUDGE
16 HOUSE TAKING PICTURES. THIS IS A VERSATILE COURTHOUSE.

17

18 **JUDGE JANICE CROFT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE HAVE A DISTINGUISHED MEMBER AND
21 SHE HAS A DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS OF HER COLLEGE, WHO'S GOING TO
22 BE WATCHING RIGHT NOW. WHY DOESN'T SHE COME UP WITH ME? AND
23 SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS WHO IS ALSO A GRADUATE OF CAL. POLY
24 POMONA. AND TODAY WE'RE RECOGNIZING DR. SORAYA COLEY WHO IS
25 THE NEW PRESIDENT OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY POMONA. PRIOR

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1 TO ASSUMING HER POSITION, SHE SERVED AS PROVOST VICE PRESIDENT
2 OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY OF
3 BAKERSFIELD, VICE PRESIDENT OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AT ALLIANT
4 INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, PROFESSOR EMERITUS AT CALIFORNIA
5 STATE UNIVERSITY FULLERTON WHERE SHE SERVED AS THE DEAN OF
6 COLLEGES AND THE HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES.
7 SHE'S PROVIDING GREAT LEADERSHIP. THIS IS ONE OF OUR GREAT
8 COLLEGES IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND THE ENTIRE COUNTY AND
9 STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THEY HAVE A GREAT NUMBER OF ALUMNUS WHO
10 HAVE GONE ON TO HIGHER-- ACHIEVE THEIR DREAMS. AND WE
11 APPRECIATE YOU FOR NOW ASSUMING THAT PRESIDENCY. WE LOOK
12 FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO GETTING THE
13 GOLD LINE ALL THE WAY THROUGH MONTCLAIR TO HELP SERVE THE
14 STUDENTS ALSO AT CAL. POLY.

15

16 **DR. SORAYA COLEY:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR. I'M SO
17 PLEASED TO BE HERE. AND I ACCEPT THIS RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF
18 THE FACULTY AND STAFF AND THE OVER 20,000 STUDENTS AT CAL.
19 POLY POMONA. I RECOGNIZE I'VE BEEN ENTRUSTED WITH A LEGACY, A
20 LEGACY THAT CERTAINLY WAS ADVANCED BY PRESIDENT-EMERITUS,
21 MICHAEL ORTIZ. IT'S THE LEGACY OF MAINTAINING ACCESS AND
22 OPPORTUNITY, OF SERVING FIRST GENERATION STUDENTS, AND
23 RECOGNIZING THAT OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO EDUCATING AND
24 SUPPORTING THE DIVERSITY THAT REPRESENTS CALIFORNIA. SO THANK
25 YOU SO MUCH. IT'S A TESTAMENT TO OUR CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO

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1 NOT ONLY CONTRIBUTING TO THE LOCAL AREA, THE REGION, BUT THE
2 STATE AND THE NATION. I APPRECIATE THIS SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE
5 MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION. TODAY WE WELCOME THE 37TH ANNUAL L.A.
6 COUNTY MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION SPONSORED BY THE CONSTITUTIONAL
7 RIGHTS FOUNDATION, WHICH IS A STATEWIDE COMPETITION EACH YEAR
8 WITH APPROXIMATELY 8,000 STUDENTS WHO PREPARE TRIAL
9 PRESENTATIONS WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF TEACHERS AND VOLUNTEER
10 ATTORNEY COACHES. LOCALLY THE PROGRAM CONSISTS OF MORE THAN
11 2,000 MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND APPROXIMATELY 375
12 VOLUNTEER ATTORNEYS AND JUDGES THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY. THE MOCK
13 TRIAL PROGRAM PREPARES STUDENTS WITH A WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF
14 OUR JUDICIAL SYSTEM AND IN DEVELOPING ANALYTICAL SKILLS AND
15 COMMUNICATION SKILLS. THIS YEAR, THE STUDENTS LEARNED ABOUT
16 THEFT BY LARCENY AND CONSENT SEARCHES UNDER THE FOURTH
17 AMENDMENT. THEY ALSO LEARNED TO WORK IN TEAMS, EXCHANGE IDEAS,
18 SET GOALS AND EXAMINE ISSUES WHILE INTERFACING WITH POSITIVE
19 ROLE MODELS FROM THEIR COMMUNITIES. SO WE WANT TO PRESENT
20 SCROLLS THIS YEAR TO THE SENIOR DIVISION, HARVARD WESTLAKE
21 SCHOOL, TEACHERS AUDRIS FARZUKIS, CLOSE ENOUGH, OKAY. I HAD
22 THE SAME PROBLEM WITH ANTONOVICH WHEN I WAS GOING THROUGH
23 SCHOOL. AND OUR SENIOR DIVISION RUNNERS UP IS PALOS VERDES
24 PENINSULA HIGH SCHOOL. OUR JUNIOR DIVISION CHAMPIONS, WESLEY
25 SCHOOL, COACH BARBARA ANDERSON. THE HELEN BERNSTEIN

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1 OUTSTANDING TEACHER AWARD IS TO CHRIS LEE, PALISADES CHARTER
2 HIGH SCHOOL, AND TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS FOUNDATION. AND
3 EACH OF THE STUDENTS ARE GOING TO BE RECEIVING THEIR OWN
4 INDIVIDUAL PROCLAMATIONS, WE WILL BE SENDING TO THEM, AS WELL.
5 SO LET ME FIRST, HARVARD WESTLAKE. PALOS VERDES PENINSULA?
6 THEY'RE NOT HERE. LITTLE BIT OF TRAFFIC ON THE 110. WESTLAKE
7 SCHOOL. HERE THEY COME, PALOS VERDES. WESLEY SCHOOL? THE
8 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS FOUNDATION? THIS IS CHRIS LEE WHO IS
9 RECEIVING THE HELEN BERNSTEIN OUTSTANDING TEACHER AWARD FROM
10 PALISADES CHARTER HIGH. WE HAVE TO ACKNOWLEDGE ALL THE OTHER
11 STUDENTS. LET'S DO THEIR FIRST AND THEN WE'LL DO THIS GROUP.
12 OKAY. THIS IS GOOD FOR YOU GUYS, BECAUSE THERE'S NO SCHOOL
13 TODAY, RIGHT?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** ALL RIGHT. EVERYONE LOOK LIKE YOU WON SOMETHING. LOOK
16 LIKE WINNERS. DO YOU KNOW WHAT, I THINK WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN
17 WITH THE PRINCIPAL THERE. THIS IS THE MOCK TRIALISTS. 1, 2, 3,
18 WE WON, EVERYONE. THAT'S HOW IT WORKS. OKAY, THANK YOU. THANK
19 YOU, SUPERVISORS. [APPLAUSE.] (BABY CRYING). [APPLAUSE.]

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THIS IS LITTLE WILLIE. WILLIE IS 8
22 WEEKS OLD. WILLIE IS LOOKING FOR A MOMMY AND A DADDY. HE'S A
23 TERRIER MIX. YOU CAN CALL 562-256-1649 AND LITTLE WILLIE WILL
24 MAKE YOU HAPPY. ONCE AGAIN LITTLE WILLIE. IF HE BARKS WHEN YOU
25 LOOK AT HIM, THE KID CRIES.

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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOU CAN LEAVE NOW, MR. ANTONOVICH. WE WILL
3 NEED A NEW MAYOR IN HERE IN A MOMENT. [LAUGHTER.]

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE'LL CALL IT ITEM NO.-- MR.
6 PREVEN, 3, 8, 9, 11, 14, 29, 37. MR. LUCAS, 1-H, 30. AND DR.
7 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, 1, 9, 11, 14, 18, 37. THANK YOU, MR.
8 LUCAS. YOU HELD 17. I'LL CALL YOU WHEN THAT ITEM COMES UP.
9 THAT WAS HELD BY BOARD MEMBERS. GOOD MORNING.

10

11 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I WILL DO EXACTLY THE SAME THING THAT
12 I DID LAST WEEK. I WILL ONLY SPEAK TO ITEM NO. 1 BECAUSE THE
13 OTHER ITEMS ARE HELD AND I HAVE THE RIGHT AND I WILL EXERT IT
14 TO SPEAK WHEN THOSE ITEMS ARE CALLED. SO I WILL EVENTUALLY WIN
15 THAT BATTLE BECAUSE I EVENTUALLY WIN. AND I AM VERY CONCERNED
16 ON THOSE COMMISSIONS, THIS BOARD ALWAYS THEY STAND THE LENGTHS
17 OF SERVICE TO BE SERVED. I THINK IT'S A POOR-- IT SHOULD NOT
18 BE DONE BECAUSE WE HAVE PEOPLE NOW AT THE END OF COMMISSION
19 WHO HAVE BEEN APPOINTED ALMOST 20 YEARS AGO. AND THAT'S ABSURD
20 IN THE COUNTY OF 10 MILLION PEOPLE. BUT I WANT TO SAY THAT
21 BOTH SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND KUEHL HAVE BEEN VERY GOOD ABOUT
22 APPOINTING PEOPLE RAPIDLY TO COMMISSIONS, WHICH IS A VERY NICE
23 CHANGE, SO FOR THAT. I JUST DON'T WANT THE LENGTH OF SERVICE
24 TO BE EXPANDED. I HAVE SOME ARTICLES HAVING TO DO WITH
25 HOSPITAL HUNTINGTON AND THE FIGHT, PUBLISHED IN THE PAPER. AND

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1 I HAVE A REQUEST FOR SACHI HAMAI UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORD ACT
2 TO GIVE ME EVERY DOCUMENT HAVING TO DO WITH THE APPOINTMENT OF
3 CHRISTINA GHALY AND SO ON AND EVERYTHING HAVING TO DO WITH THE
4 MERGER. HERE'S A COPY FOR EACH OF THE BOARD MEMBERS. THANK
5 YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

8

9 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I WILL COME BACK WHEN THE OTHERS--

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'LL COME BACK ON 17 WHEN THAT ITEM
12 COMES UP, I'LL CALL YOU UP. OKAY. SO MOTION BY--

13

14 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** OKAY. SO, SUPERVISOR, WE
15 HAVE ITEMS 1-H, 1, 3, 8. ON ITEM NO. 9, SUPERVISOR KNABE
16 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO FEBRUARY
17 17TH. ITEM NO. 11, ITEM 14, 18, 19, 29. ITEM 30, SUPERVISOR
18 KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
19 FEBRUARY 17, 2015. AND ITEM NO. 37. THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE
20 YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS.
23 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. DON, YOU HELD 1-D AND
24 12? 25? THEY ARE.

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** DO YOU WANT ME TO DO IT NOW?

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** UNLESS YOU WANT TO PASS.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** BECAUSE THEY'RE RELATED, I GUESS THEY'RE BOTH
6 HELD. I DIDN'T HOLD 1-D. BUT ITEM 12, I JUST HAD SOME
7 QUESTIONS IN REGARDS TO THIS WHOLE PLAN, WHICH I SUPPORT, BUT
8 C.E.O. OR PUBLIC WORKS OR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, WHOEVER WANTS
9 TO-- MR. ROGAN?

10

11 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** I THINK C.D.C. IS HERE, AS WELL,
12 BUT I'LL TRY TO ANSWER SOME OF YOUR QUESTIONS.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** THE ISSUE IS OBVIOUSLY WE UNDERSTAND THE MENTAL
15 HEALTH PIECE OF THIS. AS IT RELATES TO PARKS AND REC AND
16 COMMUNITY SENIOR SERVICES, THERE'S NO MENTION IN THIS BOARD
17 LETTER ABOUT WHERE THEY MIGHT RELOCATE, BECAUSE THAT IS A KEY
18 LINCHPIN IN ALL OF THIS. AND SO THE LETTER'S RELATIVELY QUIET.
19 SO ARE WE STILL IN THAT SEARCH? ARE WE STILL AT THE \$70
20 MILLION COST? OR WHERE ARE WE?

21

22 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** SO AS OF RIGHT NOW, YOUR BOARD HAD
23 DIRECTED THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE TO GO BACK OUT AND TAKE A LOOK AT
24 THE PROPERTY ONCE THE SATURN PROPERTY WAS CANCELED. AND AS OF
25 FEBRUARY, WE'VE IDENTIFIED TWO ADDITIONAL PROPERTIES, OR TWO

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1 PROPERTIES. BUT WE ARE DOING AN OPEN BID SOLICITATION PROCESS
2 THAT WILL BEGIN ON MARCH 1ST THAT WILL CLOSE IN JUNE OF 2015
3 WITH FULL REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** SO IT WILL BE COMING BACK TO THE BOARD?

6

7 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** IT WILL BE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** AND WHAT'S THE SOLICITATION FOR? BUILDINGS?

10

11 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** EXACTLY, PROPERTY. WITHIN THE 20-
12 MILE RADIUS.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, BECAUSE ONE OF THE THINGS WE'RE ALSO WORKING
15 ON THE MASTER PLAN FOR THE SOUTH CAMPUS IN RANCHO. AND AT ONE
16 TIME WE WERE TALKING ABOUT PARKS AND REC, BUT OBVIOUSLY THAT'S
17 NOT THERE NOW. I MEAN, THAT'S ONE OF THE FEW PLACES LEFT IN
18 THE COUNTY WE HAVE A BIG PIECE OF PROPERTY. BUT THAT'S MORE
19 GEARED NOW TOWARDS PROBATION, L.A. COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION.
20 SO THAT'S PROBABLY A SITE THAT IS NOT ANY LONGER AVAILABLE FOR
21 PARKS AND REC. AND SO IT'S SO QUIET ON THIS. IN DECEMBER, WHEN
22 WE PASSED THAT MOTION TO SECURE A CONSULTANT TO REVIEW THE
23 COUNTY'S REAL PROPERTY LEASING ACQUISITION PROCEDURES, I THINK
24 ONE OF MY CONCERNS IS THE FOLKS WE HIRED REALLY AREN'T IN THE
25 REAL ESTATE BUSINESS; THEY'RE MORE IN THE LITIGATION BUSINESS.

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1 AND I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE ALL THESE PIECES IN
2 PLACE AS IT RELATES TO THIS. I SUPPORT ITEM 12, BUT I JUST
3 WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE GOT ALL THE OTHER PIECES, THAT WE
4 KNOW AT SOME POINT WHAT THIS COST IS GOING TO BE AND WHAT'S
5 ALL IN PLAY HERE.

6

7 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** AND WE'LL RETURN TO YOUR BOARD
8 SOMETIME IN JUNE OF 2015 WITH A FULL REPORT BACK.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. BECAUSE AS WE GO OUT ON THIS REVIEW, THAT'S
11 AHEAD OF THE CURVE OF THE CONSULTANT THAT WE HIRED.

12

13 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** ACTUALLY, THE STAFF MOVES FOR
14 PARKS AND REC AND COMMUNITY SENIOR SERVICES WILL-- IT'S LESS
15 THAN 100 THAT WILL BE IMPACTED SOMETIME IN SEPTEMBER OF 2016.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT THE BUILDING ITSELF, THEY'RE BOTH TO BE TAKEN
18 DOWN, CORRECT?

19

20 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT. BUT IT WILL NOT IMPACT
21 THEM UNTIL 2016.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** AND THEN THIS CONSULTANT, WE HAVE NOT HEARD BACK
24 ON THAT REVIEW YET. WILL THAT HAVE ANY IMPACT OR INFLUENCE ON
25 OUR SEARCH FOR SUITABLE SITES? I MEAN, WE'RE PUTTING THIS IN

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1 PLACE, WHICH AGAIN I SUPPORT, BUT WE'VE ALSO ASKED THIS
2 CONSULTANT TO REPORT BACK ON PROCEDURES AND POLICIES AND WHAT
3 WE DO, AND ARE WE GETTING OUT AHEAD OF THAT? BECAUSE WE
4 OBVIOUSLY DON'T KNOW THE ANSWERS TO THAT.

5

6 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** I DON'T BELIEVE THAT WILL BE A
7 FACTOR. AGAIN, I THINK WITH THE OPEN BID SOLICITATION PROCESS
8 THAT WILL BE GOING ON, THE PROCESS WILL BE AS TRANSPARENT AS
9 POSSIBLE.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M AWARE ABOUT TRANSPARENCY. I'M JUST WORRIED
12 THAT THAT PIECE WAS IN THE MIDDLE OF ALL THIS OF THE VERMONT
13 CORRIDOR. AND SO TO TRY TO DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS AHEAD OF THE
14 REPORT BACK, THAT'S WHAT MY CONCERN WAS WHETHER THE REPORT
15 BACK WAS EVEN NECESSARY BECAUSE YOU'VE TAKEN A PIECE OF
16 PROPERTY OUT OF PLAY. I DON'T KNOW WHETHER THE SATURN
17 PROPERTY'S EVEN GOING TO BE LOOKED AT AGAIN. I DON'T KNOW THAT
18 FOR A FACT. BUT THAT'S A DONE DEAL, IT'S OUT, IT'S DONE, WE'VE
19 GOT OUR--

20

21 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** I BELIEVE YOUR BOARD ASKED FOR IT
22 TO CONTINUE TO BE A VIABLE OPTION IF THEY'RE INTERESTED.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** IF THEY'RE INTERESTED.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

2

3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MR. MAYOR. PERMIT ME
4 TO MAKE SEVEN NEW POINTS, THE FIRST OF WHICH IS THIS. AFTER 10
5 YEARS OF EFFORT, THE COUNTY ESSENTIALLY FAILED TO ADDRESS THE
6 BLIGHT AND SUBSTANDARD WORKING CONDITIONS IN THE HEADQUARTER
7 FACILITIES FOR THE DEPARTMENTS OF PARKS AND RECREATION,
8 COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES AS WELL AS MENTAL HEALTH. THAT'S
9 THE FIRST FACT THAT WE NEED TO BE REMINDED OF. SECONDLY,
10 C.E.O. REPORTS, AFTER MUCH DELIBERATION AND DISCUSSION WITH
11 THIS BOARD IS RECOMMENDING A SINGLE SOLICITATION PROCESS LED
12 BY THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION THAT INCORPORATES THE
13 COST SAVING METHODS ACHIEVED IN C.D.C.'S PROJECT IN THE
14 COMMUNITY OF ALHAMBRA, ONE THAT WE ALL HAVE CELEBRATED. A
15 THIRD POINT IS THAT C.D.C. IS THE LOGICAL ENTITY TO TAKE THE
16 LEAD IN COOPERATION WITH THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, GIVEN THEIR
17 TRACK RECORD OF BRINGING PROJECTS IN ON TIME AND ON BUDGET.
18 ADDITIONALLY, C.D.C. IS THE LOGICAL LEAD DEPARTMENT GIVEN THAT
19 A PORTION OF THE COUNTY OF VERMONT PROPERTIES WILL BE MADE
20 AVAILABLE FOR PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT TO HELP OFFSET COUNTY COSTS,
21 WHICH WILL ALSO FURTHER ONGOING REVITALIZATION EFFORTS IN THE
22 KOREATOWN COMMUNITY, A COMMUNITY THAT IS MAKING ITS OWN
23 INVESTMENT IN THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE QUALITY OF LIFE WHICH THE
24 COUNTY, I BELIEVE, SHOULD BE SUPPORTIVE OF, PRUDENT AND IN A
25 RESPONSIBLE WAY, FUNCTIONING IN A CATALYTIC MANNER RATHER THAN

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1 BEING THE PURVEYOR OF BLIGHT. C.D.C. HAS ALSO BEEN TASKED WITH
2 LOOKING AT AN ALTERNATIVE SCENARIO FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
3 AND RECREATION SITE THAT WOULD INCLUDE SENIOR HOUSING WITH A
4 COMMUNITY CENTER ON THE GROUND FLOOR IN RESPONSE TO THE NEEDS
5 EXPRESSED BY THE COMMUNITY. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT C.D.C. HAS
6 A STRONG RECORD IN HAVING PRODUCED THOUSANDS OF AFFORDABLE
7 HOUSING UNITS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. WE ALL KNOW THIS. PERMIT
8 ME TO MAKE THE ADDITIONAL POINT THAT CONSISTENT WITH PRIOR
9 BOARD DIRECTION, THE C.E.O. REAL ESTATE DIVISION WILL INITIATE
10 AN OPEN, I WANT TO SAY THAT AGAIN, AN OPEN AND COMPETITIVE
11 PROCESS FOR SECURING REPLACEMENT SPACE FOR THE DEPARTMENTS OF
12 PARKS AND RECREATION AND COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES,
13 CONSISTENT WITH THE BOARD'S APPROVAL OF-- WITH THE BOARD TO
14 APPROVE PARTIAL REPLACEMENT STRATEGY FOR THE VERMONT CORRIDOR.
15 I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO UNDERSCORE THAT IT WILL BE OPEN AND
16 COMPETITIVE, WHICH IT WAS NOT IN THE ORIGINAL INSTANCE. THAT
17 IS BY BOARD INSTRUCTION. AN OPEN AND COMPETITIVE AND
18 TRANSPARENT PROCESS THAT ALLOWS ALL BUILDING OWNERS TO SUBMIT
19 PROPOSALS FOR THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION. COMPETITIVE PROCESS
20 CONSISTENT WITH ADOPTED BOARD POLICIES. AND LET ME JUST SIMPLY
21 SAY, FINALLY, NO DECISION IS BEING MADE TODAY ON THAT MATTER.
22 THE C.E.O. AND THE C.D.C. OFFICES WILL RETURN TO THE BOARD
23 WITH THE RESULTS OF THEIR STUDIES AND SEEK BOARD APPROVAL AT
24 THE TIME TO ISSUE THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS. MR. MAYOR AND
25 COLLEAGUES, I THINK AND I HOPE THAT THAT CLARIFIES THE MATTER

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1 IN SUCH A WAY THAT WE CAN MOVE FORWARD AND I WOULD MOVE THE
2 AGENDA, THAT ITEM BEFORE US AT THIS POINT.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION AND A SECOND. ALSO, MR.
5 PREVEN, ERIC PREVEN SIGNED UP BUT HE'S NOT HERE. IS THERE ANY
6 OBJECTION? SO ORDERED, THEN.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE A REQUEST OF PUBLIC WORKS ON THIS JOBS
9 CONTRACT.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PUBLIC WORKS?

12

13 **GAIL FARBER:** GOOD MORNING.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** GOOD MORNING. AS YOU KNOW, I HAVE HAD ON/OFF
16 CONCERNS WITH THE JOB CONTRACTS. I KNOW THEY'RE VERY
17 EFFICIENT, BUT THIS AMOUNT IS PROBABLY THE LARGEST I'VE EVER
18 SEEN. HAVE WE EVER DONE ANYTHING THIS LARGE BEFORE?

19

20 **GAIL FARBER:** SUPERVISOR, I BELIEVE THIS IS CONSISTENT WITH THE
21 SIZE THAT WE'VE BEEN BREAKING THE JOB ORDER CONTRACTS INTO.
22 AND THIS ITEM BEFORE US IS JUST TO GO OUT AND SOLICIT THOSE
23 BIDS; IT'S NOT TO AWARD THEM AT THIS TIME.

24

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** SO IS THE RELIANCE ON THESE JOB CONTRACTS
2 INCREASING OR DECREASING?

3

4 **GAIL FARBER:** YEAH, I THINK IT'S FAIRLY CONSISTENT. I THINK THE
5 USE MAY BE SPREADING TO MORE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, BUT WITHIN
6 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, WE'VE BEEN FAIRLY CONSISTENT
7 IN THIS METHOD OF CONTRACTING.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** AND THEN IT SAYS FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR. THESE
10 ARE VERY BROAD TERMS. CAN YOU GIVE US AN IDEA WHAT YOU'RE
11 TALKING ABOUT AS IT RELATES TO THAT? I MEAN THIS IS A \$73
12 MILLION BLANK CHECK.

13

14 **GAIL FARBER:** GO AHEAD, MARK, IF YOU WANT TO GRAB THE DETAILS
15 WITH SHARI.

16

17 **SHARI AFSHARI:** GOOD MORNING, I'M SHARI AFSHARI. I'M A DEPUTY
18 DIRECTOR WITH THE DEPARTMENT. I OVERSEE THE CONSTRUCTION SIDE
19 OF OUR DEPARTMENT. THESE JOBS ARE GOING TO BE USED IN SIX
20 DIFFERENT CATEGORIES: PAVEMENT PRESERVATION, RE-PAVING,
21 GUARDRAILS, TREE TRIMMING, MISCELLANEOUS SIDEWALKS, STRIPING
22 AND PAVEMENT MARKINGS. AND THE 17 CONTRACTS ARE GOING TO BE
23 DIVIDED BETWEEN THESE SIX IN TWO DIFFERENT GEOGRAPHIC AREAS:
24 NORTH COUNTY AND ALL OTHER DISTRICTS.

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** SO, ARE THESE ALL NET COUNTY COSTS? OR ARE THERE
2 GAS TAX?

3

4 **SHARI AFSHARI:** THESE ARE GOING TO BE UTILIZED USING THE ROAD
5 FUNDS. AND THESE ARE ROUTINE MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES, THEREFORE
6 ALTHOUGH WE UNDERSTAND THAT SOME OF THE ROAD FUNDS ARE GOING
7 TO BE DIMINISHING BASED ON WHAT WE KNOW TODAY, BUT WE KNOW
8 THAT THESE ROUTINE MAINTENANCE ARE NOT GOING TO BE CURTAILED
9 AS THE FIRST STEP.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** SO ANY OF THESE PROJECTS COME BACK TO THE BOARD?

12

13 **SHARI AFSHARI:** WE ARE PLANNING, ACTUALLY, IF YOU WOULD LIKE
14 TO, WE WOULD LIKE TO OFFER THAT IF IT'S OKAY, TO COME BACK
15 WITH A BOARD MEMO EVERY TIME THAT WE ARE AWARDING THESE
16 CONTRACTS. AND BY THE WAY, THESE ARE LIKE TWO YEARS PERIOD. WE
17 ARE NOT PLANNING TO ADVERTISE ALL THESE SEVEN THINGS RIGHT
18 AWAY. WE ARE GOING TO BE GOING OUT WITH A LIMITED NUMBER FOR
19 NORTH COUNTY AND THE OTHER DISTRICTS. AND THEN WHEN THOSE
20 CAPACITIES ARE RUNNING OUT, WE WOULD GO OUT FOR MORE
21 ADVERTISING OF THESE JOB CONTRACTS.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, THANK YOU. THANKS.

24

25 **SUP. SOLIS:** MR. MAYOR?

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS:** I JUST HAVE A COMMENT. I KNOW OUR STAFFS HAVE BEEN
5 TALKING ABOUT THE COMPETITIVE BID PROCESS. AND I KNOW THAT
6 YOUR DEPARTMENT HAS ACTUALLY LOOKED AT TRYING TO BREAK SOME OF
7 THE BIGGER CONTRACTS UP AND TRYING TO SUB-- CREATE AN
8 OPPORTUNITY FOR SUBCONTRACTORS, WHICH IS GREAT. BUT I, TOO,
9 WOULD LIKE A REPORT BACK AND UNDERSTANDING WHAT THAT OUTREACH
10 FOR THIS PARTICULAR SIZE OF GRANT IS, BECAUSE I THINK IT IS
11 IMPORTANT FOR US TO KNOW THAT OUR CONSTITUENTS IN OUR DISTRICT
12 ALSO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO APPLY AND COMPETE FOR THESE BIDS.
13 I THINK IT'S SOMETHING THAT FOLKS ARE VERY, VERY INTERESTED
14 IN, ESPECIALLY NOW WITH OUR ECONOMIC SITUATION BEING WHAT IT
15 IS IN CERTAIN PARTS OF THE COUNTY. SO I APPRECIATE THAT.

16

17 **SHARI AFSHARI:** DEFINITELY.

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO WE HAVE A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR
22 KNABE. SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU.

23

24 **GAIL FARBER:** THANK YOU.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** COULD WE HAVE THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER?
2 I HAVE SOMETHING-- SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS WANTS US TO
3 CONTINUE IT. I JUST WANT TO ASK SOME QUESTIONS BEFORE WE
4 CONTINUE IT. MR. LOGAN? FIRST, ON THE AUDIT THAT THE
5 REGISTRAR-RECORDER HAD DONE ON DUPLICATE VOTING REGISTRATIONS
6 OF THE APPROXIMATELY 52,000 HAD THE SAME NAME, SAME ADDRESS,
7 SAME BIRTHDATE, AND YOU HAD DONE A CHECK OF THAT, OF THE 50 OF
8 THE 442 KNOWN VOTER REGISTRATIONS, YOU FOUND THAT 90 PERCENT
9 OF THOSE DID, IN FACT, HAVE TWO SEPARATE VOTER REGISTRATIONS
10 WHILE THE REMAINING 392 REGISTRANTS WERE REVIEWED TO DETERMINE
11 IF THEY HAD VOTED TWICE, AND YOU INDICATED THAT THEY HAD NOT
12 BEEN VOTING TWICE. BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE INSTEAD OF DOING
13 THE SAMPLE, DO ALL 442 WITH A REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** ABSOLUTELY. THAT IS OUR INTENTION. WE TAKE THIS VERY
16 SERIOUS.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** AND WE WILL REPORT BACK ON THE 442.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND THEN ON THIS CONTRACT THAT'S BEING
23 PROPOSED, IT INDICATES THAT-- HOW LONG HAVE WE BEEN WORKING ON
24 REPLACING THE ENTIRE VOTING SYSTEM?

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** OUR VOTING SYSTEM ASSESSMENT PROJECT HAS BEEN IN
2 PLACE SINCE '09.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND HOW WOULD THE VENDOR BE
5 INCORPORATED INTO THE NEW VOTING SYSTEM THAT IS BEING
6 DEVELOPED?

7

8 **SPEAKER:** THE CURRENT SPECIFICATIONS THAT WE'RE WORKING ON TO
9 GO OUT TO R.F.P. WOULD INCLUDE THAT, BUT IT NEEDS TO WORK WITH
10 OUR VOTE-BY- MAIL SYSTEM.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WHAT IS THE TOTAL COST FOR THE
13 CONTRACT OVER FIVE-YEAR PERIOD?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** FIVE-YEAR PERIOD, I THINK THE FIVE-YEAR PERIOD IS
16 ABOUT 11 MILLION. AND THEN THERE'S TWO-YEAR OPTIONS, ALSO.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WERE THE FUNDS FOR THIS PROJECT
19 PART OF THE VOTING SYSTEM'S ASSESSMENT PROJECT?

20

21 **SPEAKER:** NO, THEY'RE NOT.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO THEY WOULD BE GENERAL FUNDS?

24

25 **SPEAKER:** CORRECT.

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND HOW MUCH N.C.C. IS SET ASIDE FOR
3 THE ENTIRE V.S.A.P.?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** CURRENTLY, WE'VE RECEIVED 7.6 MILLION. WE HAVE 3.2
6 SITTING IN BALANCE.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ACCORDING TO THE BOARD LETTER, THERE
9 WERE 140 VENDORS RECEIVED LETTERS OF INVITATION, BUT ONLY TWO
10 RESPONDED, AND ONE WAS DETERMINED TO BE NONRESPONSIVE. IN A
11 SIMILAR SITUATION, WE HAD A C.D.C. INVESTIGATION, WE FOUND
12 THAT MANY OF THE VENDORS ON A RELATED ISSUE TO THE DEPARTMENT
13 WERE BEING SENT TO PEOPLE WHO WERE NOT EVEN PART OF WHAT THEY
14 WERE BEING ASKED TO BID ON. I KNOW THEY ARE SENDING THEM TO
15 AUDIT AGENCIES, MECHANICAL REPAIR SHOPS, ET CETERA, ET CETERA.
16 OF THE 140 VENDORS THAT WE SENT, WERE ALL OF THESE QUALIFIED,
17 LEGITIMATE VENDORS WHO OUGHT TO BE COMPETING?

18

19 **SPEAKER:** I THINK I WOULD HAVE TO REPORT BACK ON THAT.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** REPORT BACK ON THAT. THANK YOU.
22 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'M SATISFIED THAT WE TAKE
25 THE ISSUE UP NEXT WEEK PURSUANT TO MY REQUEST FOR A

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1 CONTINUANCE. AND THE QUESTIONS THAT YOU POSED I WOULD HOPE
2 WOULD BE A PART OF WHAT STAFF COULD COME BACK TO THE BOARD
3 WITH SO THAT WE CAN APPROPRIATELY DISPOSE OF THE MATTER.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** YES, WE WILL.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SO MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK
8 RIDLEY-THOMAS TO CONTINUE AS STATED. SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION,
9 SO ORDERED. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU HAD ITEM 17?

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I DO HAVE AN AMENDMENT
12 TO THE ITEM. WHILE I'M IN AGREEMENT WITH THE CONCEPT IN ITEM
13 17, I ALSO WANTED TO PRESENT AN AMENDMENT. AND IT READS AS
14 FOLLOWS, "THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES IDENTIFIED
15 \$6.5 MILLION TO AUGMENT THE COUNTY'S YOUTH PROGRAM JOB
16 PROGRAM. THE FUNDING WILL ALLOW APPROXIMATELY 1500 CALWORKS
17 TEENS TO PARTICIPATE IN PAID WORK EXPERIENCE FOR 21 WEEKS. IN
18 ADDITION, SINCE 2010, THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
19 HAS OPERATED THE PARKS AFTER DARK PROGRAM. THIS PROGRAM
20 ENGAGES AT-RISK YOUTH IN HIGHER CRIME AREAS, PROVIDING THE
21 YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES WITH A RANGE OF POSITIVE,
22 RECREATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES IN THEIR COMMUNITIES.
23 IT PLAYS A VITAL ROLE IN REDUCING THE LIKELIHOOD OF YOUTH
24 PARTICIPATING IN AT-RISK BEHAVIORS. THE PARKS AFTER DARK
25 PROGRAM HAS BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL, RESULTING IN HIGH COMMUNITY

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1 PARTICIPATION AND DECREASED VIOLENT CRIME. IN A 2012 SURVEY OF
2 PARTICIPANTS, THEY FOUND THAT 94 PERCENT WOULD PARTICIPATE IN
3 THE PROGRAM AGAIN. AND 96 PERCENT FELT SAFE DURING THE
4 PROGRAM. SERIOUS AND VIOLENT CRIMES IN THE COMMUNITIES
5 SURROUNDING THE PARKS DECLINED BY 40 PERCENT IN THE FIRST
6 THREE YEARS OF THE PROGRAM. THE FUNDING IDENTIFIED BY D.P.S.S.
7 AND THE RESULTING YOUTH JOBS CAN BE LEVERAGED TO AUGMENT THE
8 PARKS AFTER DARK. I JUST WANT TO BE CLEAR WITH THE MEMBERS
9 THAT THIS IN NO WAY IS ASKING TO REDIRECT FUNDS THAT HAVE
10 ALREADY BEEN DETERMINED TO BE USED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, BUT
11 WHAT IT WOULD DO IS HELP US LEVERAGE SOME OF THOSE FUNDINGS
12 THAT WILL BE GRANTED THROUGH THIS 6.5 MILLION TO LOOK AT THE
13 PARKS AFTER DARK PROGRAM. AND I KNOW THAT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
14 THOMAS MAY HAVE A QUESTION, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT THE
15 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES
16 TO COLLABORATE WITH THE DIRECTORS OF PARK AND RECREATION TO
17 UTILIZE THAT PORTION OF 6.5 MILLION FOR WORK ON COUNTY
18 PROGRAMS, AT COUNTY PARKS, INCLUDING AN EXPANSION OF THE PARKS
19 AFTER DARK PROGRAM." KEEP IN MIND, MEMBERS, THAT THIS IS A
20 PROGRAM THAT IS SOMEWHAT MIRRORED AFTER THE G.R.I.P. PROGRAM
21 THAT IS OFFERED THROUGH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES THAT HAS
22 ACTUALLY HELPED TO COMBAT A LOT OF CRIME IN THESE PARKS THAT
23 ARE IN OUR VARIOUS DISTRICTS. SO WITH THAT, I WOULD JUST ASK
24 FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON THIS ITEM.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. LET ME COMPLIMENT

4 SUPERVISOR SOLIS IN TERMS OF HER LEADERSHIP ON THIS MATTER.

5 ALL OF US ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THIS. AND SO I SIMPLY WANT TO

6 INDICATE THAT WHAT THIS FRIENDLY AMENDMENT, WHICH IS

7 ESSENTIALLY TO SAY THAT THERE BE A REPORT BACK IN WRITING IN

8 30 DAYS WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS, I CONSIDER THIS AN AMENDMENT

9 WITH THE CONSENT OF THE AUTHORS OF THE MOTION WITH MY DELIGHT

10 TO SUPPORT THIS EFFORT.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE ALSO HAVE TWO SPEAKERS ON

13 THIS ITEM, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL AND ROBERT LUCAS? MR. LUCAS?

14 PASS? GENEVIEVE PASS? MR. LUCAS? THANK YOU. (LAUGHING).

15

16 **ROBERT LUCAS:** I DO THAT FROM WAY BACK THERE.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GIVE THIS MAN 20 MINUTES. [LAUGHTER.]

19

20 **SUP. SOLIS:** MR. MAYOR!

21

22 **ROBERT LUCAS:** BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU ASK FOR. AND THIS WAS ON

23 ITEM 17 WITH THE CHILDREN AND THE SENIORS. YOU KNOW, THIS IS

24 SO IMPORTANT TO ME BECAUSE THERE'S NOT A LOT OF THINGS THAT

25 I'VE CARED ABOUT IN MY LIFE, RIGHT, UNTIL A FEW INSTANCES IN

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1 THE LAST 15 YEARS. 9/11, SOME OF THE SCHOOL SHOOTINGS, AND
2 MOST IMPORTANTLY, SANDY HOOK CHANGED THE COURSE OF MY LIFE.
3 I'M IN A PLACE IN MY LIFE WHERE I'VE BEEN GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY
4 WITH THIS A.B.109, WHICH I KNOW YOU WEREN'T REALLY FOR, BUT IT
5 GAVE ME AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET INVOLVED IN SOME VERY IMPORTANT
6 THINGS THAT I WAS ABLE TO WITNESS AND FEEL WHEN I WAS IN
7 PRISON. AND I VOWED TO CHANGE THE DIRECTION OF MY LIFE. THESE
8 KIDS, THESE SENIORS, THEY'RE ALL MY FAMILY. I WAS A LATCHKEY
9 KID IN L.A. COUNTY IN THE '60S. THE COMMUNITY WAS MY FAMILY.
10 THERE WAS NO ONE AT HOME. ALL RACES, ALL CULTURES ACCEPTED ME,
11 TREATED ME WELL AND GAVE ME THE LOVE I DIDN'T GET AT HOME. IT
12 TOOK ME A LONG TIME TO GET OVER SOME OF THESE ISSUES THAT
13 CAUSED ME TO STUMBLE, FALL FOR PEER PRESSURE, MAKE BAD CHOICES
14 AND DECISIONS. SPENDING SO MUCH TIME IN ISOLATION AND ALONE, I
15 HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO EITHER GIVE UP OR FIND A PURPOSE. AND
16 BEING CONNECTED WITH NATURE AND THE EARTH, I BELIEVE I WAS
17 GIVEN SOME OF THE CARE AND LOVE THAT'S BEEN INSIDE ME THE
18 WHOLE TIME. SO I HAVE A DIRECTION. ANYTHING THAT WE CAN DO TO
19 HELP THESE KIDS AND THE SENIORS WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THESE
20 KIDS, PLEASE TAKE IT INTO CONSIDERATION.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. LUCAS. [APPLAUSE.] WE
23 HAVE A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED. WITHOUT
24 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU. THIS IS ITEM 19 AND WE HAVE
25 A NUMBER OF SPEAKERS WHICH WE'LL CALL. TERRY GRANT. ELIZABETH

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1 MENDIA. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. WHITNEY ENGERAN. YOU EACH HAVE
2 TWO MINUTES TO SPEAK.

3

4 **TERRY GRANT:** GOOD MORNING.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GOOD MORNING, SIR.

7

8 **TERRY GRANT:** MY NAME IS TERRY GRANT. IN 2005 DURING A PHYSICAL
9 EXAM, I FOUND OUT THAT I WAS H.I.V. POSITIVE. I WAS NOT
10 COMPLETELY SURPRISED WITH THE NEWS, BUT IT WAS VERY DIFFICULT
11 TO ASSIMILATE AND ACCEPT IT. THANKS TO THE DOCTORS AND MENTAL
12 HEALTH PROFESSIONALS, I WAS ABLE TO LEARN TO LIVE WITH H.I.V.
13 AND UNDERSTAND MY CONDITION. I AM ALIVE TODAY THANKS TO THE
14 SERVICES PROVIDED TO ME UNDER THE RYAN WHITE PROGRAM. I WOULD
15 LIKE YOU TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO INVEST MORE RESOURCES TO PEOPLE
16 LIVING WITH H.I.V. I DO RECOGNIZE THAT I AM LUCKY TO LIVE IN
17 L.A. COUNTY WHERE MY SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE, BUT WE CAN DO
18 BETTER. I PROPOSE TO YOU TO BE THE EXAMPLE FOR THE REST OF THE
19 NATION SO THAT WE CAN STOP EPIDEMIC, THE EPIDEMIC IN THE NEAR
20 FUTURE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY THOMAS, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR
21 SERVICE. I AM PROUD TO SAY THAT I LIVE IN YOUR DISTRICT. THANK
22 YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME. [APPLAUSE.]

23

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE DON'T ALLOW APPLAUSE, BUT IF YOU
2 WANT TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT, THEN JUST LIFT THE ROOF, OKAY?
3 THERE YOU GO, LIKE THAT. THANK YOU.

4

5 **ELIZABETH MENDIA:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME'S ELIZABETH MENDIA.
6 I'M EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE WHITTIER RIO HONDO A.I.D.S.
7 PROGRAM OTHERWISE KNOWN AS W.R.H.A.P. SOME OF YOU HAVE KNOWN
8 THAT W.R.H.A.P. HAS SERVED THE SOUTH EASTERN PORTION-- THE
9 EASTERNMOST, SOUTHEASTERN PORTION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR
10 OVER 20 YEARS. WHEN W.R.H.A.P. WAS FORMED IN THAT TIME, IT
11 WASN'T FORMED BY PLANNERS, IT WASN'T FORMED BY HEALTHCARE
12 ADMINISTRATORS, IT WAS FORMED BY ACTIVISTS, ACTIVISTS MUCH
13 LIKE THE ASSEMBLY OF PERSONS YOU SEE HERE TODAY THAT ARE
14 IMPACTED BY H.I.V./A.I.D.S. EITHER BY THEMSELVES OR HAVING
15 LOST A LOVED ONE, LIKE OUR FOUNDER, DORIS WALL, WHO LOST HER
16 SON TO H.I.V. AND THE CALL AT THAT TIME WAS VERY CLEAR AND IT
17 REMAINS THE SAME CALL TO THIS DAY: AND THAT'S BRING SPECIALTY
18 H.I.V. MEDICAL SERVICES TO OUR AREA, TO THE AREAS THAT NEED IT
19 MOST. IN 1999, A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION HEADED THAT CALL
20 AND PARTNERED WITH W.R.H.A.P. TO BRING MEDICAL SERVICES TO
21 WHITTIER WHERE IT CURRENTLY TODAY SERVES APPROXIMATELY 300
22 PATIENTS LIVING WITH H.I.V./A.I.D.S. AND PARTNERS WITH
23 W.R.H.A.P. TO PROVIDE SOME OF THE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES AND
24 LINKAGE SERVICES. SINCE I'VE BEEN INVOLVED WITH W.R.H.A.P.,
25 SINCE THAT TIME AND MORE RECENTLY ON THE BOARD OF THE A.I.D.S.

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1 HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION, I CAN TELL YOU THAT I'VE SEEN A.H.F.
2 REPLICATE THAT ETHIC OF BRINGING SERVICES, SPECIALTY H.I.V.
3 MEDICAL CARE SERVICES, TO THE PEOPLE WHERE THEY'RE AT. THAT
4 HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE MOTIVATION. SO I'M PERPLEXED, FRANKLY,
5 WHEN I SEE A MOTION THAT WOULD CUT SERVICES TO AN ORGANIZATION
6 THAT HAS BEEN SUCH A GREAT FRIEND TO ACTIVISTS IN THE
7 COMMUNITY, TO THE PEOPLE THAT REALLY KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON IN
8 THEIR AREAS I ASK YOU TO POSTPONE ITEM 19, I THINK THE IMPACTS
9 OF WHICH ARE NOT CLEAR AT THIS TIME. AND I'LL YIELD TO MY
10 COLLEAGUES.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. ROSENDAHL?

13

14 **BILL ROSENDAHL:** WELL, GOOD MORNING. I'M BILL ROSENDAHL. I USED
15 TO BE A COUNCILMEMBER IN L.A., BUT I ALSO WAS A TELEVISION
16 GUY, AND I GOT TO KNOW EVERYBODY HERE. I'M A NONPARTISAN GUY.
17 NO, I DON'T BELIEVE IN THE PARTIES DETERMINING THE FUTURE. I
18 BELIEVE THE PEOPLE DO THAT, AND THEY DO IT WITH CLASS AND
19 DIGNITY. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT A.H.F. IN POSTPONING THIS ITEM SO
20 WE CAN WORK IT OUT CLEARER. AS YOU CAN SEE BEHIND ME, THAT
21 24,000, 24,000 PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE ACCESS FOR QUALITY CARE
22 RIGHT NOW, AND MANY OF THEM COULD BE H.I.V. POSITIVE. AND WE
23 NEED TO CHECK ON THEM. WE NEED TO BE THERE FOR THEM ALL. AND
24 IF YOU LOOK AT THE AGENDA ITEM, IT DOESN'T MOVE AS QUICKLY AS
25 IT SHOULD. SOME, AS YOU KNOW, LIKE HILDA SOLIS, WHEN YOU USED

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1 TO BE ON MY SHOW AND WE WATCHED YOUR STAR RISE, OR SHEILA
2 KUEHL, WE GO BACK LIKE FOR 40 YEARS. AND MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS,
3 WE'VE HAD OUR UPS AND DOWNS, BUT YOUR SON CAME OUT, I
4 CAMPAIGNED FOR AND NOW HE'S UP NORTH IN SACRAMENTO. OF COURSE
5 MICHAEL ANTONOVICH, DON KNABE, YOU'VE SUPPORTED ME OVER THE
6 YEARS AND I'VE SUPPORTED YOU GUYS OVER THE YEARS. SO I REALLY
7 BELIEVE THAT THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CAN MAKE A BIG
8 DIFFERENCE IN PEOPLE'S LIVES. YOU HAVE 24,000 PEOPLE THAT NEED
9 TO BE TOUCHED. THEY NEED TO BE TOUCHED CLOSELY AND IN A WAY IN
10 WHICH THEY CAN GET THE SERVICES THEY NEED. WE CANNOT CONTINUE
11 TO SPREAD A.I.D.S. MY FIRST PARTNER, CHRISTOPHER LEE PLOWMAN,
12 DIED OF A.I.D.S. THOSE WERE THE EPIDEMIC DAYS. THAT'S WHEN
13 MICHAEL AND I BONDED. WE CALLED HIM OUR UNDERTAKER. AND FROM
14 THAT POINT ON, I'VE BEEN TRULY A SUPPORTER OF FINDING
15 SOLUTIONS FOR H.I.V. NOW, THERE'S A PILL, AND THEY WANT TO
16 SAY, "OH, THAT'S THE SOLUTION." IT ISN'T. YOU MUST HAVE A
17 CONDOM BECAUSE THE CONDOM IS THE ONLY SAFE WAY TO PROTECT THE
18 SPREAD OF A.I.D.S. SO EVEN AS PEOPLE ARE TRYING TO HAVE SEX
19 AND PLAYING IT ON, AND DO BARE BACKING, THAT'S WRONG. AND WE
20 NEED PROGRAMS THAT HELP YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN UNDERSTAND HOW
21 H.I.V. IS TRANSMITTED AND THAT THEY SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN
22 THESE PROGRAMS.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

25

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1 **BILL ROSENDAHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YES, SIR.

4

5 **BILL ROSENDAHL:** ANY QUESTIONS FOR ME? GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

6

7 **WHITNEY ENGERAN:** YES, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY
8 NAME'S WHITNEY ENGERAN CORDOVA. I'M THE SENIOR DIRECTOR OF
9 PUBLIC HEALTH FOR A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION AND 25-YEAR
10 RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH. I'VE BEEN PRIVILEGED TO WORK WITH AND
11 REPRESENT THE FOURTH DISTRICT ON THE COMMISSION ON H.I.V FOR
12 11 YEARS. BEHIND ME IN RED ARE PATIENTS AND ADVOCATES AS WELL
13 AS MEMBERS OF A.H.F. STAFF WHO ARE HERE UNITED WITH A MESSAGE.
14 THEY REPRESENT A CROSS SECTION OF THE 3,000 STAFF WHO SERVE
15 382,000 PATIENTS IN 36 COUNTRIES. WE PERFORMED OVER 4 MILLION
16 H.I.V. TESTS IN THIS LAST YEAR. WE HAVE DEDICATED OURSELVES TO
17 THE PUBLIC HEALTH OF ALL OF THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE, AND WE
18 COMMIT OURSELVES TO THIS NOT BECAUSE WE WANT TO BE DIFFICULT
19 OR CONTROVERSIAL, BUT, RATHER, WE WANT TO BE EFFECTIVE. THERE
20 ARE 24,000 PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTY LIVING WITH H.I.V. WHO ARE
21 OUT OF CARE OR DO NOT KNOW THEY ARE LIVING WITH H.I.V. WE NEED
22 TO DO WHATEVER IS NECESSARY TO FIND THEM AND GET THEM INTO
23 CARE. WE BELIEVE THAT THE SYSTEM OF CARE MUST BE FLEXIBLE TO
24 ATTAIN THIS GOAL. WHETHER IT'S NEW LOCATIONS, NEW STRATEGIES,
25 WHATEVER IS NECESSARY TO GET THIS DONE. THE RYAN WHITE CARE

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1 ACT WAS SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR LOCALITIES RECEIVING FUNDS
2 TO ADJUST THEIR SYSTEM QUICKLY AND FAST. WE WANT TO PARTNER
3 WITH YOU AS WE DO WITH MANY OTHER CITIES, COUNTIES, STATES AND
4 COUNTRY GOVERNMENTS TO BE BOLD, NOT ACCEPT THE STATUS QUO AND
5 MAKE REAL AND GENUINE PROGRESS. THIS MISSION DOES NOT ALWAYS
6 MAKE US POPULAR WITH SOME, BUT IT DOES MAKE US EFFECTIVE.
7 THAT'S WHAT OUR PATIENTS SAY AND THEY'RE OUR TRUE
8 CONSTITUENTS. WE KNOW WHAT WE NEED TO DO. WE NEED TO FIND
9 FOLKS LIVING WITH H.I.V., WE NEED TO GET THEM INTO CARE AND WE
10 NEED TO HELP THEM STAY IN CARE. WE HOPE YOU'LL RECONSIDER THIS
11 VOTE AND SINCERELY HOPE THAT YOU CAN LEAD THAT THE NEW
12 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, THE NEW COMBINED DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IF
13 THAT'S THE WAY YOU GO, WILL LEAD THIS COUNTY IN A BOLD NEW
14 DIRECTION WITH REGARDS TO COMBATING H.I.V. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
15 TIME.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
18 UP CYNTHIA DAVIS, STANLEY CHATMAN AND MICHAEL THOMPSON.
19 GENEVIEVE?

20

21 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
22 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW, I HAVE BEEN HERE FOR THE
23 LAST 25 PLUS YEARS DEALING WITH THE SAME ISSUE. YOU KNOW, WE
24 HAVE ASKED FROM THE BEGINNING THAT THOSE RENEWALS ARE BASED
25 INDIVIDUALLY AND NOT EN BLOC, BECAUSE EVERY YEAR WE RENEW SOME

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1 CONTRACT WHO SHOULD NOT BE RENEWED AND SOME WHO SHOULD BE
2 RENEWED ARE NOT BEING RENEWED. AND I THINK THAT'S OF GREAT
3 CONCERN TO ME. AND THAT'S ONE BATTLE I HAVE FOUGHT FOREVER. I
4 WAS PROMISED FOREVER THAT IT WOULD NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN.
5 SUPERVISOR BURKE SAID "OVER OUR DEAD BODIES" THAT WON'T HAPPEN
6 AGAIN. I GUESS IT DIDN'T MEAN MUCH. YOU KNOW, IN THE PAST WE
7 USED TO GET A BREAKDOWN OF THE PERFORMANCE OF THOSE AGENCIES.
8 FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS, WE ARE NEVER PROVIDED WITH THE LEVEL
9 OF PERFORMANCE, AND I THINK THIS NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT. AND I
10 THINK BEFORE YOU RENEW, YOU LOOK AT IT AND DEMAND IT AND DO IT
11 ON THE MERIT. IT'S VERY HARD TO CLAIM POVERTY AND SO ON WHEN
12 A.H.F. CAN AFFORD FULL-PAGE AD IN L.A. TIMES OVER AND OVER
13 AGAIN. I THINK THAT MONEY WOULD BE FAR BETTER SERVING CLIENTS.
14 THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP EDUARDO MARTINEZ.
17 YES? OKAY. NEXT PERSON?

18

19 **CYNTHIA DAVIS:** MY NAME IS CYNTHIA DAVIS AND I'M THE CURRENT
20 CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE
21 FOUNDATION AND I'VE SERVED ON THE BOARD OF A.H.F. FOR THE PAST
22 16 YEARS. I'M HERE RESPECTIVELY TO ASK YOU TO POSTPONE THE
23 AGENDA ITEM 19, WHICH WOULD GIVE D.P.H.S. AUTHORITY TO REDUCE
24 FUNDING PROVIDED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT UNDER THE RYAN
25 WHITE CARE ACT FOR H.I.V./A.I.D.S. CARE SERVICES CONTRACTS IN

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1 L.A. COUNTY. A.H.F. HAS ALREADY PRESENTED TO YOU IN
2 CORRESPONDENCE DATED JANUARY THE 30TH 2015 REASONS WHY THIS
3 DECISION NEEDS TO BE POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER ANALYSIS CAN BE
4 CONDUCTED WITH PROVIDER AND COMMUNITY INPUT. THERE ARE
5 MULTIPLE REASONS WHY A.H.F. HAS SERIOUS CONCERNS ABOUT THE
6 RECOMMENDATIONS BEING MADE BY D.P.H. TO REDUCE RYAN WHITE CARE
7 ACT FUNDING, WHICH INTERESTINGLY IS NOT REQUIRED UNDER THE
8 PROVISIONS OF THE FEDERAL RYAN WHITE CARE ACT. WE FEEL THAT
9 D.P.H. SHOULD BE MAINTAINING THE CURRENT LEVEL OF FUNDING OF
10 RYAN WHITE CARE ACT FUNDS TO ENSURE THAT THESE HARD-TO-
11 REACH AND MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED CLIENTS CONTINUE TO BE
12 TARGETED AND LENGTHEN THE CARE IN ORDER TO STEM THE TIDE OF
13 H.I.V. I HAVE WORKED IN ALL SERVICE PLANNING AREAS OF THE
14 COUNTY OVER THE LAST 30 YEARS, BUT KNOW FIRSTHAND THAT IN THE
15 SERVICE AREAS OF MOST NEED, INCLUDING S.P.A. 4, 6 AND 8, THAT
16 DUE TO STIGMA AND MISINFORMATION, THE DIFFICULTY OF
17 IDENTIFYING THESE 24,000 H.I.V. POSITIVE INDIVIDUALS AS WELL
18 AS LINKING THEM INTO CARE. THIS IS A PROBLEM WHICH IS
19 NATIONWIDE, NOT JUST A PROBLEM IN L.A. COUNTY. WE HAVE AN
20 OPPORTUNITY TO LOWER THE RATES OF H.I.V. INFECTION AND
21 INDIVIDUALS PROGRESSING TO FULL BLOWN A.I.D.S. WE HAVE TO
22 MAINTAIN OUR PRESENCE IN THESE COMMUNITIES TO BE ABLE TO REACH
23 AS MANY OF THESE 24,000 CLIENTS AS POSSIBLE. IN CLOSING, I
24 IMPLORE YOU TO LISTEN TO A.H.F. STAFF WHO HAVE BEEN ON THE

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1 FRONTLINES OF THIS BATTLE AS WELL AS THE H.I.V. INFECTED AND
2 AFFECTED COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
5 JOSHUA HERNANDEZ. YES, SIR?

6

7 **MICHAEL THOMPSON:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS MICHAEL THOMPSON.
8 AND I AM HERE TODAY AND CONCERNED ABOUT THE 24,000 PEOPLE THAT
9 ARE NOT RECEIVING HEALTHCARE SERVICES FOR THE H.I.V.
10 CONDITIONS. I FEEL THAT THIS IS NOT THE TIME TO BE CUTTING
11 FUNDING FROM THE RYAN WHITE PROGRAM. AND AS A PATIENT MYSELF,
12 I HAVE UTILIZED THE RYAN WHITE FOUNDATION FUNDING FOR OVER TWO
13 YEARS. AND THANKS TO THAT, I AM ABLE TO SEE A DOCTOR
14 REGULARLY. I'M ABLE TO GET ADVICE THAT I NEED TO MAINTAIN A
15 HEALTHY LIFE. AND I AM VERY FORTUNATE TO BE ABLE TO ACCESS
16 MENTAL HEALTHCARE SERVICES THROUGHOUT THIS TRAGIC MOMENT IN MY
17 LIFE. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. THOMPSON. LET ME ALSO
20 CALL UP PORCHIA DEES? YES, SIR.

21

22 **STANLEY CHATMAN:** GOOD MORNING. GOOD MORNING, SHEILA KUEHL. MY
23 NAME IS STANLEY CHATMAN, I'M A LIFE LONG RESIDENT OF LOS
24 ANGELES. THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO COME TO SPEAK
25 BEFORE YOU. AS A PERSON LIVING WITH H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. IN LOS

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1 ANGELES, I HAVE PERSONALLY BENEFITED FROM THE RYAN WHITE
2 FUNDING THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECEIVES. SIX YEARS AGO I
3 WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO STAND BEFORE YOU AND ASK FOR YOUR
4 HELP. I WAS LITERALLY AT DEATH'S DOOR. IT WAS ONLY THROUGH THE
5 MEDICAL CARE THAT AGENCIES SUCH AS A.H.F. AND PROGRAMS LIKE
6 THE RYAN WHITE FUND THAT I WAS ABLE TO REGAIN MY HEALTH. NOW
7 THAT I AM DOING BETTER, I FEEL THAT IT IS MY OBLIGATION TO ASK
8 YOU TO PLEASE CONTINUE SUPPORTING OTHERS WHOM TODAY ARE IN THE
9 SAME POSITION THAT I WAS IN SIX YEARS AGO. THERE ARE CURRENTLY
10 24,000 H.I.V. POSITIVE PEOPLE NOT RECEIVING COUNSELING OR
11 TREATMENT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WITHOUT FUNDING FOR OUTREACH,
12 COUNSELING AND TREATMENT, THOSE NUMBERS WILL ONLY GROW. THE
13 TIDE MUST BE STEMMED. IT IS IN LOS ANGELES'S BEST ECONOMIC
14 INTEREST TO DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO BE PROACTIVE. LATE STAGE
15 HOSPITALIZATION AND HOSPICE ARE ALWAYS MORE EXPENSIVE THAN
16 PREVENTION OR EARLY TREATMENT. ONCE AGAIN, PLEASE DO WHATEVER
17 YOU CANNOT TO CUT THE RYAN WHITE FUNDING. THANK YOU SO MUCH
18 FOR YOUR TIME.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
21 PETER PARKER. PETER PARKER? YES, SIR.

22

23 **EDUARDO MARTINEZ:** YES, MY NAME IS EDUARDO MARTINEZ. I'M A 57-
24 YEAR-OLD MAN, GAY MAN. I'VE BEEN H.I.V. POSITIVE FOR 29 YEARS.
25 I CAN TELL YOU THAT LIVING WITH THIS DISEASE THROUGHOUT THE 29

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1 YEARS HAS BEEN VERY DIFFICULT. TODAY'S MY BIRTHDAY AND I'M
2 CELEBRATING 57 YEARS OLD.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

5

6 **EDUARDO MARTINEZ:** I'M VERY HAPPY AND LUCKY TO BE HERE THANKS
7 TO RYAN WHITE AND THANKS TO ALL THE CLINICS IN L.A. SO I FOUND
8 IT VERY DIFFICULT TO BELIEVE THAT THERE'S STILL, AFTER 20, 30
9 YEARS, THERE'S 25,000 PEOPLE WITHOUT CARE IN THE COUNTY OF
10 L.A. SO I'M HERE TO PLEASE ASK YOU TO KEEP US ALIVE. I WANT TO
11 KEEP LIVING. I DON'T KNOW IF I'M GOING TO DIE NEXT MONTH OR
12 NEXT YEAR, BUT AS LONG AS I TAKE CARE OF MYSELF AND WE TAKE
13 CARE OF THESE 25,000 PEOPLE THAT WE REPRESENT, I THINK WE CAN
14 DO AN EXCELLENT JOB IN TRYING TO GET THE EPIDEMIC-- STOP THE
15 EPIDEMIC. MRS. SOLIS, SI, SE PUEDE, WE CAN DO IT. AND MR.
16 THOMAS, THE BETTER WE KNOW, THE BETTER WITH WE'RE GOING TO DO.
17 SO HELP US HELP THESE 24,000 PEOPLE. BRING THEM INTO CARE.
18 KEEP THEM IN CARE. AND STOP THE EPIDEMIC. I DO WANT TO KEEP
19 LIVING. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS:** FELIZ CUMPLEANOS.

22

23 **EDUARDO MARTINEZ:** THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BRADLEY LAND, BRADLEY LAND. YES, SIR.

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1

2 **JOSHUA HERNANDEZ:** HELLO, MY NAME IS JOSHUA GERALDO HERNANDEZ
3 MONTOKA. I'M A MEMBER OF CHRIST CHAPEL OF LONG BEACH AND
4 FACILITATE A BIBLE STUDY GROUP IN LOS ANGELES. WITHIN OUR
5 MEMBERS, THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE WHO ARE POSITIVE AND LIVING
6 WITH H.I.V./A.I.D.S. ON BEHALF OF THOSE MEMBERS, WE WOULD LIKE
7 TO THANK THE DOCTORS AND MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS THAT
8 CONTINUE TO HELP MANY OF OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS LIVING WITH
9 H.I.V. THE WORK IS NOT OVER. AS YOU CAN SEE ON OUR SHIRTS,
10 THAT EMPHASIZE 24,000. THERE ARE POSITIVE PEOPLE OUT IN THE
11 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WITHOUT NO CARE AND PERHAPS NO KNOWLEDGE
12 OF THEIR STATUS. I ENCOURAGE WORKING TOGETHER AND FINDING
13 SOLUTIONS WITHIN EACH RESOURCE THAT WE HAVE TO AIM THE GOAL
14 AND CARE FOR THOSE WHO ARE POSITIVE, PROVIDING CHOICES THAT
15 ACCOMMODATE YOUR CLIENTS AND FUTURE CLIENTS, OTHERWISE THE
16 24,000 AND PERHAPS MORE WILL BE LOST, SICK, REPRODUCING INTO
17 VILE CONDITION, BECOMING MORE-- BECOMING WORSE AND CONTINUE
18 THIS VIRUS WITHOUT NO CARE IS NO WAY TO GO. THIS IS NOT THE
19 TIME TO CUT ANY SERVICES SUCH AS RYAN WHITE'S PROGRAM,
20 ESPECIALLY WHEN STATISTICS SHOW IT WORKS TO REDUCE THE SPREAD
21 OF H.I.V. AND PROVIDING PERSONAL EFFECTIVE CARE TO THOSE IN
22 NEED. THANK YOU. GOD BLESS YOU.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
25 ROBERT LUCAS. YES, MA'AM.

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2 **PORCHIA DEES:** HI, MY NAME IS PORCHIA DEES. AND I AM HERE AS AN
3 A.H.F. CLIENT. I WAS BORN H.I.V. POSITIVE WITH THE ADVANCEMENT
4 OF A.I.D.S. BACK IN 1986. I WAS ALSO BORN COINFECTED WITH HEP.
5 C. CURRENTLY THERE ARE 24,000 PEOPLE IN THE L.A. COUNTY WHO
6 ARE INFECTED WITH H.I.V./A.I.D.S. AND WHO ARE NOT RECEIVING
7 CARE. AND ALTHOUGH I DO NOT REPRESENT THAT GROUP OF PEOPLE
8 RIGHT NOW, I DID ONCE BEFORE. I HAVE MEDI-CAL I.E.H.P. AS AN
9 INSURANCE PLAN RIGHT NOW. AND I HAVE EXPERIENCED MANY ISSUES
10 WITH THEM. THERE WAS A POINT IN TIME WHERE I WAS OUT OF CARE
11 FOR ALMOST TWO YEARS BACK WHEN THE STATE SWITCHED EVERYONE'S
12 H.M.O.S AROUND AND MADE IT MANDATORY FOR PEOPLE TO RECEIVE
13 CARE IN THEIR COMMUNITY. I HAD TO GO THROUGH SO MUCH GRIEF
14 TRYING TO FIND AN A.H.F. CLINIC NEAR ME AND TRY TO GET MY
15 PRIMARY CARE DOCTOR TO GIVE ME A REFERRAL. I AM ALSO CURRENTLY
16 HAVING ISSUES WITH THEM GETTING MY-- WITH GETTING MY INSURANCE
17 TO COVER MY TREATMENT FOR HEP. C. THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND THE
18 URGENCY TO WHICH I NEED THIS TREATMENT OR THE EXTENT TO WHICH
19 OTHER FACTORS AFFECT MY H.I.V./A.I.D.S. STATUS. GOVERNMENT OR
20 STATE H.M.O.S DO NOT TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE LIVING
21 SITUATIONS, TRANSPORTATION, MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AND ET CETERA
22 THAT PEOPLE LIVING WITH H.I.V./A.I.D.S. MAY BE GOING THROUGH.
23 AND I BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE A TRAGEDY IF RYAN WHITE FUNDING
24 WERE CUT. WE NEED ALL THE OPPORTUNITIES TO BE ABLE TO HAVE ALL
25 THE RESOURCES POSSIBLE, ESPECIALLY THE RESOURCES OFFERED

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1 THROUGH RYAN WHITE, WHICH WAS FOUNDED ON TAKING INTO
2 CONSIDERATION THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE LIVING WITH H.I.V./A.I.D.S.
3 AND THE VARIOUS THINGS THAT WE MAY BE GOING THROUGH. THANK
4 YOU.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
7 ARTI BHIMANI. YES, SIR.

8

9 **PETER PARKER:** I'M PETER PARKER. I'M A RESIDENT OF THE FIRST
10 DISTRICT AND I'M HERE TODAY TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE H.I.V.
11 PEOPLE IN CARE IN L.A. COUNTY. I WAS ONLY 19 YEARS OLD WHEN I
12 FOUND THAT I WAS H.I.V. POSITIVE. IT WAS VERY DIFFICULT FOR
13 ME. I STRUGGLED SO MANY YEARS WITH THE NEWS. MY FAMILY
14 WITNESSED MY PAIN. EIGHT YEARS LATER, ONE OF MY SIBLINGS
15 BECAME POSITIVE, TOO. NOW I HAVE THREE RELATIVES WITH H.I.V.
16 THIS IS NOT THE TIME TO CUT FUNDS. THIS IS THE TIME TO INVEST
17 RESOURCES TO FIND THOSE THAT ARE NOT IN MEDICAL CARE. THIS IS
18 THE TIME TO UNITE FORCES TO STOP TO SPREAD THE EPIDEMIC. I
19 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. AND I BEG YOU, DON'T FORGET ABOUT MY
20 BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN AND OUT OF CARE. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

23

24 **BRADLEY LAND:** GOOD MORNING, MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISORS.
25 MY NAME IS BRADLEY LAND. I'M THE FIFTH DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

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1 ON THE LOS ANGELES COMMISSION ON H.I.V. AND I WAS ASKED TO
2 COME DOWN TODAY BY THE CO-CHAIRS OF THE COMMISSION. I CO-CHAIR
3 THE PLANNING PRIORITIES AND ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE ON THE
4 COMMISSION WITH AL BALLESTEROS, FIRST DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.
5 WE HAVE BEEN SERVING ON THE COMMISSION FOR 13 YEARS, MYSELF
6 AND AL OVER 25. OR JUST 25 THIS YEAR, I BELIEVE. HE'S TAKING
7 HIS SABBATICAL. THAT'S WHY HE'S NOT HERE TODAY WE'VE BEEN
8 WATCHING THE TRENDS. WE MET TWICE A MONTH ALMOST ALL YEAR LAST
9 YEAR. WATCHING TRENDS AND RYAN WHITE- ELIGIBLE PATIENTS
10 MIGRATE INTO OTHER PAYER SYSTEMS. RYAN WHITE ARE DOLLARS OF
11 LAST RESORT. AND THE PATIENTS TODAY THAT ARE OFFERING
12 TESTIMONY MAY HAVE OTHER PAY SOURCES AND MAY NOT BE RYAN WHITE
13 ELIGIBLE AS THEIR PRIMARY SOURCE. HOWEVER, WE MAY HAVE WRAP-
14 AROUND SERVICES THAT ARE NOT BEING COVERED, SUCH AS MEDICAL
15 CARE COORDINATION AND NUTRITION SUPPORT AS WELL AS BENEFITS
16 SPECIALTY THAT ACTUALLY NEED INVESTMENT BECAUSE THOSE ARE
17 SOURCES THAT ARE NOT CURRENTLY COVERED IN THE A.C.A. BY ANY
18 OTHER SOURCE THAT WE'RE AWARE OF. SO THESE ARE SOME OF THE
19 THINGS THAT WE STRUGGLE. SO WE ACTUALLY HAVE MADE THESE
20 RECOMMENDATIONS TO ALLOCATIONS. AND THEY ARE CONSISTENT WITH
21 OUR RECOMMENDATIONS. WE DO NOT GET INTO INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTING
22 OF AN ORGANIZATION. AS YOU KNOW, THERE ARE STRONG BOUNDARIES
23 WITH RYAN WHITE. AND IN CLOSING, I JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT
24 WE DO SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF D.H.S.P. TODAY. THANK
25 YOU.

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

3

4 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYBODY. YOU KNOW, USUALLY
5 WHEN I COME IN, I'M VERY PASSIONATE ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON. AND
6 WHEN I WALKED IN, I HAD NO IDEA WHAT EXACTLY THIS 24,000 WAS
7 ABOUT, BUT I FELT IT WHEN I CAME IN. AND THIS EXPLAINS WHY
8 WHEN I SPOKE A LITTLE BIT EARLIER, I GOT KIND OF EMOTIONAL AND
9 I WAS FEELING AND I WAS SITTING TRYING TO INGEST AND
10 UNDERSTAND ALL OF THE THINGS THAT I WAS FEELING FROM ALL OF
11 THESE PEOPLE. AND I CAN ONLY SPEAK FOR MYSELF BECAUSE I WAS
12 AROUND IN THE 80S WHEN THIS ALL HORRENDOUS DISEASE TOOK
13 EFFECT. AND WHEN I SAT DOWN AND I WAS ABSORBING SOME OF WHAT I
14 WAS FEELING IN THIS ROOM, I FELT FEAR. I FELT EXTREME LOVE.
15 AND I ALSO FELT A LOT OF FRUSTRATION. AND THERE WAS SUCH A
16 DEEP LEVEL OF CONCERN IN THIS ROOM THAT I WASN'T SURE WHERE OR
17 WHY I WAS FEELING IT UNTIL A COUPLE OF THESE HUMAN BEINGS GOT
18 UP HERE AND SHARED SOME OF THEIR COURAGE AND THEIR EXPERIENCE
19 IN TRYING TO FIGHT THEIR WAY THROUGH THIS. HOW CAN WE NOT,
20 AFTER EXPERIENCING THE '80S AND WHAT THE HORRENDOUS EFFECTS
21 THIS DISEASE HAS ON PEOPLE WITHOUT TREATMENT? I'VE WATCHED A
22 COUPLE OF FRIENDS FROM THAT TIME WHEN THERE WAS NO CURE, WHEN
23 THERE WAS NO TREATMENT. AND I CARRY THAT WITH ME TO THIS DAY
24 BECAUSE OF THE JUDGMENT, BECAUSE OF THE OPINION. PLEASE, WE
25 CANNOT ABANDON ANYBODY, WHETHER IT IS IN AN ALTERNATIVE

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1 LIFESTYLE, JUST BECAUSE IT'S DIFFERENT. WE'RE ALL HUMAN
2 BEINGS, AND WE ALL SHARE THE SAME THING, AND THAT'S TO GET TO
3 THE END.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. LUCAS. YES, SIR.

6

7 **ARTI BHIMANI:** THANK YOU, MY NAME IS ARTI BHIMANI AND I AM WITH
8 THE A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION. AMENDMENT 19 IS PROPOSING
9 A REDUCTION OF FUNDING FOR H.I.V./A.I.D.S. SERVICES UNDER THE
10 RYAN WHITE PROGRAM. THE RYAN WHITE PROGRAM, AS MANY OF YOU
11 KNOW, IS A FEDERAL PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES FEDERAL FUNDS THE
12 COUNTIES LIKE LOS ANGELES WHICH ARE DISPROPORTIONATELY
13 AFFECTED WITH THE H.I.V./A.I.D.S. EPIDEMIC. WE'RE ASKING THAT
14 YOU CONSIDER POSTPONING A DECISION ON AMENDMENT 19, BECAUSE
15 THE STUDIES ON WHICH THAT AMENDMENT IS BASED NEED TO BE
16 EXAMINED CLOSELY. THERE ARE TWO ASSUMPTIONS THAT ARE CRITICAL
17 ON WHICH THE REDUCTIONS ARE SOUGHT. ONE IS THE STUDY ASSUMES
18 THAT THE PATIENT POPULATION CURRENTLY THAT IS BEING SERVED
19 WILL CONTINUE TO BE THE SAME PATIENT POPULATION THAT WILL BE
20 SERVED UNDER THE YEARS UNDER CONSIDERATION. THAT MEANS THAT WE
21 IGNORE THE 24,000 PATIENTS THAT ARE CURRENTLY NOT IN CARE. IF
22 WE WERE TO CONSIDER EVEN BRINGING A PROPORTION, A PERCENTAGE
23 OF THOSE PATIENTS INTO CARE, WE WOULD-- THE REDUCTION WOULD
24 OVERWHELM THE PROVIDERS. SECOND, THE ASSUMPTION IN THE STUDY
25 IS THAT THE MANNER IN WHICH WE HAVE BEEN USING RYAN WHITE

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1 FUNDING SHOULD REMAIN THE SAME. NOW, THE TERM RYAN WHITE
2 ELIGIBLE WAS JUST RECENTLY USED BY THE GENTLEMAN HERE. THAT
3 TERM IS NOWHERE DEFINED UNDER THE RYAN WHITE CARE ACT AND IT
4 IS NOT DEFINED WITHIN THE COUNTY CONTRACTS. THE TERM "RYAN
5 WHITE ELIGIBLE" REALLY NEEDS TO BE RECONSIDERED BECAUSE OTHER
6 COUNTIES AND OTHER DISTRICTS AROUND THE NATION ARE RESPONDING
7 TO THE CHANGING HEALTHCARE LANDSCAPE IN WHICH MORE PATIENTS
8 ARE GOING ONTO COVERAGE AND USING RYAN WHITE FUNDING TO COVER
9 CO-PAYS, TO COVER DEDUCTIBLES AND TO COVER PREMIUMS. WE NEED
10 TO DO THE SAME. L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS THAT ARE H.I.V. AND THAT
11 ARE LIVING WITH AIDS DESERVE BETTER, AND WE NEED TO MAKE SURE
12 WE ADDRESS THEIR NEEDS. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP CINDY
15 HARDING AND MARIO PEREZ WHO'S HEAD OF OUR A.I.D.S. PROGRAM
16 FROM PUBLIC HEALTH. BUT THERE IS A MISUNDERSTANDING. THERE IS
17 NOT GOING TO BE A CUT IN FUNDING, BUT WE'LL HAVE THE
18 DEPARTMENT RESPOND TO THE COMMENTS THAT WERE RAISED UNDER THE
19 PUBLIC DISCUSSION. YOU'VE HEARD MANY OF THE TESTIMONY AND YOU
20 COULD PERHAPS ELABORATE ON.

21

22 **CYNTHIA HARDING:** CYNTHIA HARDING, INTERIM DIRECTOR FOR
23 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. LET ME MAKE A FEW COMMENTS AND
24 THEN INVITE MARIO PEREZ WHO IS THE DIRECTOR OF OUR H.I.V. AND
25 S.T.D. PROGRAMS TO MAKE SOME COMMENTS. THERE IS NO PROPOSED

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1 REDUCTION IN THE OVERALL RYAN WHITE FUNDS. THIS BOARD ACTION
2 DOES NOT DO THAT AT ALL. WHAT IT DOES IS REDUCE SOME OF THE
3 CONTRACTS IN THE AREA OF AMBULATORY OUTPATIENT MEDICAL
4 SERVICES SO THAT WE CAN USE THOSE RYAN WHITE FUNDS FOR SOME OF
5 THE WRAP-AROUND AND OTHER SERVICES THAT CLIENTS NEED. AND THE
6 REASON THAT WE ARE RECOMMENDING REDUCTION IN THE AMBULATORY
7 OUTPATIENT MEDICAL SERVICES IS BECAUSE WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION
8 OF THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, MANY OF THE RYAN WHITE ELIGIBLE
9 PATIENTS NOW HAVE TRANSITIONED TO MEDI-CAL OR OTHER PAYER
10 SOURCES, WHICH REDUCES THE NEED FOR THE AMBULATORY OUTPATIENT
11 MEDICAL SERVICES TO PAY FOR THEIR CARE. AS I SAID, RYAN WHITE
12 IS THE PAYER OF LAST RESORT, SO IF YOU HAVE ANOTHER FUNDING
13 SOURCE FOR YOUR CARE, THAT NEEDS TO PAY FOR YOUR MEDICAL CARE.
14 WE ARE SEEKING THIS OVERALL REDUCTION SO THAT WE CAN WORK AS
15 WE ALWAYS DO WITH THE H.I.V. COMMISSION ON REPROGRAMMING THOSE
16 SERVICES TO OTHER AREAS THAT ARE NEEDED. AND, YOU KNOW, THE
17 ISSUE OF THE 24,000 THAT ARE NOT IN CARE, WE TOTALLY AGREE
18 THAT EVERY H.I.V. POSITIVE PERSON SHOULD BE LINKED AND
19 RETAINED IN CARE. THAT IS PART OF OUR GOAL, AS WELL. BUT THE
20 RYAN WHITE FUNDS DON'T PAY FOR THAT LINKAGE TO CARE. THOSE ARE
21 OTHER FUNDING SOURCES THAT WE USE IN OUR DEPARTMENT TO HELP
22 PAY FOR THAT EFFORT. AND ANY REDUCTION IN THE AMBULATORY
23 OUTPATIENT MEDICAL SERVICES DOES NOT EQUATE TO A REDUCTION IN
24 OUR EFFORTS TO REACH OUT AND LINK H.I.V. POSITIVE INDIVIDUALS
25 TO CARE AND TO RETAIN THEM IN CARE.

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.

3

4 **MARIO PEREZ:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I JUST WANTED TO
5 IMPRESS UPON YOU THAT WE CONTINUE TO HAVE ONE OF THE MOST
6 ROBUST RYAN WHITE SYSTEMS IN THE COUNTRY. WE CONTINUE TO HAVE
7 40 MEDICAL OUTPATIENT SITES THROUGH 20 PROVIDERS THAT DELIVER
8 HIGH QUALITY CARE. WE ARE A COUNTY THAT CONTINUES TO HAVE A
9 LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE UNDIAGNOSED. BUT WE ALSO HAVE
10 SOME OF THE MOST AGGRESSIVE H.I.V. CASE FINDING PROGRAMS IN
11 THE COUNTRY. WE HAVE LAUNCHED VERY AGGRESSIVE LINKAGE TO CARE
12 PROGRAMS, INTENTION TO CARE PROGRAMS, MEDICAL CARE
13 COORDINATION PROGRAMS TO REDUCE THOSE NUMBERS. AND WE WORK
14 WITH OUR COMMISSION PARTNERS TO CONTINUE TO SHAPE A VERY
15 NIMBLE RYAN WHITE PROGRAM. NOW, THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS
16 HEALTHY WAY L.A. AND THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT HAVE WORKED AS
17 INTENDED. AND OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, WE CONTINUE TO SEE
18 A SHARP DECLINE IN THE NUMBER OF FOLKS WHO LEAN ON THE RYAN
19 WHITE SYSTEM FOR H.I.V. OUTPATIENT CARE. FREEING UP THOSE
20 RESOURCES THAT ARE GOING TO GO UNSPENT, BECAUSE WE OPERATE
21 UNDER A FEE FOR SERVICE STRUCTURE, WILL ALLOW US AS A COUNTY
22 TO INVEST IN OTHER HIGH PRIORITY PROGRAM AREAS LIKE LINKAGE TO
23 CARE, RETENTION OF CARE, BENEFITS SPECIALTY AND SOME OF THE
24 OTHER SERVICES THAT PEOPLE LIVING WITH H.I.V. WITHIN OUR
25 COUNTY NEED AND DESERVE. I HAVE JUST SOME VERY BRIEF NUMBERS

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1 TO SHARE WITH ALL OF YOU. A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO, OUR A.O.M.
2 CONTRACTS WERE PREPARED TO SUPPORT 33-1/2 THOUSAND MEDICAL
3 VISITS. LAST YEAR, THE PROJECTION SUGGESTS THAT ABOUT 24,000
4 MEDICAL VISITS WILL BE PROVIDED. DESPITE THAT DECREASE IN RYAN
5 WHITE PROVIDED MEDICAL VISITS, OUR BOARD LETTER, AND THE
6 COMPLEMENT OF D.S.O.S WITH D.H.S. WILL STILL ALLOW THE COUNTY
7 TO PROVIDE OVER 30,000 VISITS. SO WE HAVE A HEALTHY CUSHION OF
8 ABOUT 25 PERCENT IN THE EVENT THAT THERE IS A SURGE IN NEW
9 FOLKS DIAGNOSED IN OUR COUNTY. AND THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY
10 PROVIDED-- REQUESTED OF YOU WILL ALSO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT
11 ADDED FLEXIBILITY AND NIMBLENESS TO ADJUST CONTRACTS IF
12 NEEDED. I'LL STOP THERE.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES. I JUST WANTED CLARIFICATION ON THE AMBULATORY
17 CARE THAT IS GOING TO BE REDUCED. COULD YOU BE A LITTLE BIT
18 MORE SPECIFIC?

19

20 **MARIO PEREZ:** SO CURRENTLY THE INVESTMENT IN AMBULATORY
21 OUTPATIENT MEDICAL CARE IS ABOUT \$15 MILLION. IT'S GOING TO GO
22 TO ABOUT \$10.5 MILLION, SO ROUGHLY A DELTA OF \$4 MILLION. THAT
23 IS BASED ON PROVIDER-REPORTED DATA TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
24 HEALTH RELATIVE TO THE NUMBER OF RYAN WHITE ELIGIBLE FOLKS
25 BEING SEEN IN THEIR CARE. AND SO PROVIDERS HAVE BEEN REPORTING

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1 TWO THINGS: DECREASED NUMBER OF FOLKS WHO ARE RYAN WHITE
2 ELIGIBLE, BUT AN INCREASED NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE MEDICAID
3 ENROLLED, MEDICARE ENROLLED, WHO HAVE THIRD-PARTY INSURANCE.
4 AND SO WE HAVE A DUTY AND OBLIGATION AS A COUNTY TO LEAN ON
5 THOSE THIRD-PARTY PAYERS AND THEN LEAN ON THE RYAN WHITE
6 SYSTEM TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE A TERRIFIC SAFETY NET, WHICH
7 WE DO.

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS:** AND ISN'T IT TRUE IN THE LAST FEW YEARS, WE'VE
10 SEEN A REDUCTION IN THE RYAN WHITE ACT FUNDING ANYWAY OVERALL
11 COMING FROM WASHINGTON?

12

13 **MARIO PEREZ:** SO THERE'S BEEN PRETTY MUCH LEVEL FUNDING FOR THE
14 FEDERAL RYAN WHITE PROGRAM. STILL A \$2.3 BILLION PROGRAM. L.A.
15 COUNTY RECEIVED A SLIGHT INCREASE LAST YEAR OF ABOUT \$1.75
16 MILLION AND SO WE PROGRAMMED SOME OF THOSE RESOURCES. THE
17 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DID LAST FALL. WE WON'T GET OUR NEW AWARD
18 LEVEL UNTIL PROBABLY APRIL OF THIS YEAR. SO WE COULD BE IN A
19 SITUATION WHERE WE HAVE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO INVEST.

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS:** DOES THAT SOUND OPTIMISTIC?

22

23 **MARIO PEREZ:** YOU KNOW, WE CONTINUE TO PREPARE ONE OF THE MOST
24 COMPETITIVE APPLICATIONS IN THE COUNTRY, MADAME SUPERVISOR.
25 AND SO WE ALSO HAVE A SIGNIFICANT H.I.V. CASELOAD, THE SECOND

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1 LARGEST EPIDEMIC IN THE COUNTRY. PART OF THE AWARD IS BASED ON
2 OUR, THE STRENGTH OF OUR APPLICATION. BUT IT'S ALSO BASED ON
3 OUR CASE LEVEL.

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS:** I DO WANT TO MENTION, I THINK-- I KNOW WE WORKED
6 IN THE PAST, MY PREVIOUS LIFE AS A CONGRESSWOMAN AND THE WORK
7 YOU HAVE DONE OUT IN OUR COMMUNITIES. AND WHILE I KNOW THAT WE
8 HAVE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE NOT CURRENTLY IDENTIFIED AND ENROLLED
9 IN OUR PROGRAM TO BE TREATED, OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK
10 TO DO. SO I KNOW AT LEAST FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, WE'D LIKE TO
11 SEE MORE EFFORTS TO CONTINUE SO THAT WE ARE ABLE, IN A GOOD
12 POSITION TO HOPEFULLY SPREAD OUT THIS SERVICE AND GET PEOPLE
13 ONTO OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING, FEDERAL COVERAGE, THAT WOULD
14 HELP ALLEVIATE THAT PARTICULAR FUND. SO I UNDERSTAND WHERE
15 WE'RE GOING. BUT ALSO TO KEEP IN MIND THAT THAT NUMBER CAN GO
16 UP. HOPEFULLY IT DOESN'T. BUT I KNOW YOU'RE DOING YOUR BEST.
17 SO I WANTED THAT.

18

19 **SUP. ANOTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR SHEILA KUEHL?

20

21 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I SUPPORT THIS ITEM TODAY,
22 BUT I DON'T SEE IT AS BEING IN CONFLICT WITH WHAT'S BEING
23 ASKED OF US. ESSENTIALLY, THE ONLY ITEM IN WHICH THE CONTRACTS
24 ARE BEING REDUCED ARE THE SERVICES PROVIDED WITH RYAN WHITE
25 MONEY, AS YOU INDICATED, I BELIEVE, AND CORRECT ME IF I'M

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1 WRONG, IS THE ITEM ON AMBULATORY OUTPATIENT MEDICAL CARE. AND
2 THE REASON FOR THAT IS THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE NOW ON,
3 THROUGH THE EXCHANGE OR IN OTHER WAYS ON MEDI-CAL, MEDICARE OR
4 PRIVATE INSURANCE. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT A.H.F. ACCEPTS
5 PRIVATE INSURANCE AND THAT THOSE CLIENTS CAN CONTINUE TO BE
6 SERVED. AND IF THERE ARE ANY EXTRA CONCERNS, THAT ALL OF THESE
7 AREAS, THE DIFFERENT SERVICE PROVIDERS WILL BE ABLE TO BRING
8 THAT UP. THE RYAN WHITE MONEY COMING TO THE COUNTY OF LOS
9 ANGELES DOES NOT DIMINISH. THE MONEY GOING FOR BENEFITS
10 SPECIALTY, INCLUDING MONEY GOING TO A.H.F. AND OTHER
11 PROVIDERS, REMAINS THE SAME. ALSO, I UNDERSTAND THAT IF WE DO
12 NOT RENEW THESE CONTRACTS, THEY WILL EXPIRE AT THE END OF THIS
13 MONTH. SO IT'S KIND OF RENEWED AT A DIMINISHED RATE FOR THE
14 AMBULATORY CARE SERVICES ONLY, OR ZIP-OH AT THE END OF THE
15 MONTH, WHICH IS NOT A VERY GOOD RESULT. SO IT SEEMS TO ME THAT
16 THE 24,000, APPROXIMATELY 10,000 WHO DON'T EVEN KNOW THAT
17 THEY'RE H.I.V. POSITIVE, AND THE 13 PLUS THOUSAND WHO ARE NOT
18 SEEKING CARE OR GETTING CARE CAN ACTUALLY BE BETTER SERVED
19 BECAUSE THE RYAN WHITE MONEY, WHICH REMAINS UNDIMINISHED,
20 COULD BE USED, AS SEVERAL OF THE SPEAKERS HAVE INDICATED, TO
21 FIND, SIGN UP, FIND THE PEOPLE WHO NEED THIS AS PAYMENT OF
22 LAST RESORT, BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE INSURANCE OR OTHER WAYS
23 OF DOING IT. SO I THINK THE CHALLENGE FOR US AND FOR PUBLIC
24 HEALTH IS TO CONTINUE THE SPECIALIZED SERVICES, WHICH ARE
25 UNDIMINISHED IN FUNDING, AND TO EXPLORE THOSE MORE, SHALL WE

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1 SAY DIFFERENT WAYS OF USING THE RYAN WHITE MONEY AS CO-PAYS,
2 AS EVEN INSURANCE PREMIUMS, WHATEVER WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO DO TO
3 HELP PEOPLE BE IN PRIVATE INSURANCE, WHICH HELPS, BUT ALSO TO
4 CONTINUE TO GET ALL THE SERVICES THEY NEED. THE MENTAL HEALTH
5 SERVICES ARE NOT DIMINISHED AND OTHER BENEFITS SPECIALTIES. SO
6 I THINK THAT THERE'S NOT REALLY A CONFLICT BETWEEN THIS MOTION
7 AND WHAT PEOPLE WHO HAVE SHOWN UP AND PEOPLE WHO HAVE
8 CONTACTED OUR OFFICES REALLY WANT. AS A MATTER OF FACT, IT
9 MIGHT GIVE MORE OF AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO DO EXACTLY WHAT
10 WAS BEING ASKED, AND THAT'S WHY I DON'T SUPPORT PUTTING THIS
11 OFF. AND I DO SUPPORT THE MOTION.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. IT MIGHT BE USEFUL
16 TO ENQUIRE OF COUNTY COUNSEL AS TO WHETHER THE MATTER OF THE
17 FLEXIBILITY OF THE RYAN WHITE USAGE HAS EVER BEEN CONSIDERED;
18 AND IF SO, IT MIGHT BE HELPFUL TO SHARE THAT WITH THE BOARD.
19 AND IF NOT, IT MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA TO CONTEMPLATE DOING SO.
20 WHAT SAY YE?

21

22 **MARK SALADINO, COUNSEL:** SUPERVISOR, MY STAFF HAS BEEN IN TOUCH
23 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WORKING ON THESE
24 ALLOCATIONS. I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHAT YOU'RE ASKING OF ME. DO
25 YOU WANT A REPORT BACK ON--?

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1

2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO, IN TERMS OF THE REPRESENTATIONS BY A
3 NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO JUST TESTIFIED AS TO THE
4 USAGE AND THE FLEXIBILITY OF THESE RYAN WHITE FUNDING, HAS
5 THERE EVER BEEN A LEGAL OPINION BY COUNTY COUNSEL AS TO THE
6 STANDING OF THAT ISSUE IN YOUR MIND AS IT RELATES TO THE
7 CONCERNS THAT HAVE BEEN BROUGHT FORTH BY MEMBERS OF THE
8 PUBLIC?

9

10 **MARK SALADINO:** LET ME ASK MY STAFF, SUPERVISOR, THAT WORKS
11 DIRECTLY WITH THE DEPARTMENT.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. AND IF NOT, THEN MAYBE IT'S
14 TIME THAT SUCH BE CONSIDERED.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR, WHILE THEY'RE CONFERRING IF WE COULD ADD
17 SOMETHING TO THAT CONVERSATION, WE'D LIKE TO ASK MR. PEREZ.

18

19 **MARIO PEREZ:** MR. SUPERVISOR, WE LEARNED A FEW THINGS OVER
20 TIME. ONE IS THAT THERE ARE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF ANGELINOS
21 WHO WHEN THEY ARE DIAGNOSED WITH H.I.V. DON'T ALWAYS MAKE IT
22 TO THE DOC. AND THERE'S THIS MAGIC SORT OF GOLDEN 90-DAY
23 PERIOD WHERE WE DO REALLY, REALLY WELL GETTING PEOPLE LINKED
24 TO CARE. NOW, INEVITABLY THERE ARE FOLKS IN OUR COUNTY WHO
25 FACE MULTIPLE ISSUES, HOUSING STABILITY, POVERTY, LACK OF

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1 ACCESS TO A NUMBER OF SERVICES, AND THEY DROP OUT OF CARE. AND
2 SO IN RESPONSE, WE HAVE VERY AGGRESSIVE MEDICAL CARE
3 COORDINATION PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO ASSESS, DIAGNOSE AND WORK
4 WITH THE MOST ACUTE FOLKS TO KEEP THEM IN CARE. WE ALSO HAVE
5 AN INCENTIVE FOR H.I.V. TESTING PARTNERS, FUNDED MOST THROUGH
6 THE C.D.C. COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT, THAT INCENTIVIZES THEIR
7 LINKAGE TO CARE OF FOLKS THAT THEY DIAGNOSE. AND ALSO TO FOLKS
8 WHO HAVE BEEN DO THE DOC. ONCE BUT WE HAVEN'T SEEN IN THREE OR
9 FOUR MONTHS, WE HAVE LINKS TO CARE PROGRAMS WHERE PEOPLE ARE
10 ACTUALLY GOING OUT AND TRYING TO FIND THEM AND BRING THEM BACK
11 INTO CARE. SO WE HAVE A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT THINGS IN PLACE,
12 SOME OF IT SUPPORTED THROUGH THE RYAN WHITE PROGRAM LIKE
13 MEDICAL COORDINATION, BUT OTHERS SUPPORTED THROUGH OTHER
14 FEDERAL AND LOCAL FUNDS TO GET PEOPLE IN CARE IN A STABLE
15 FASHION.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH, I'M NOT TOTALLY SURE ABOUT WHETHER
18 OR NOT YOUR EXPLANATION, ALTHOUGH USEFUL, IS RESPONSIVE TO THE
19 CONCERNS THAT I'M RAISING. IF THERE IS SOME SPECULATION ABOUT
20 THE FLEXIBILITY OF THE FUNDING AND ITS APPLICABILITY, IT SEEMS
21 TO ME THAT WE SHOULD PUT THAT TO REST, COUNTY COUNSEL, PLEASE.

22

23 **ATTORNEY:** SUPERVISOR, TO THAT END, THE ALLOCATIONS ARE SET BY
24 THE PLANNING COUNCIL THROUGH THE H.I.V. COMMISSION. THAT IS A
25 RYAN WHITE OBLIGATION VESTED WITH THAT COUNCIL, WITH THAT

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1 COMMISSION. PUBLIC HEALTH THEN IMPLEMENTS WHAT THEY ARE GIVEN
2 IN TERMS OF THE PRIORITIES AND THE ALLOCATIONS. SO IF THERE IS
3 A CONCERN ABOUT FLEXIBILITY, THAT IS THE PLACE WE WOULD START
4 TO ADDRESS THOSE CONCERNS.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THAT, MISS SALADINO, THAT
7 RESPONSE IS PRELIMINARY AT BEST. LET ME THEN REQUEST ON BEHALF
8 OF THE BOARD THROUGH THE MAYOR THAT MORE THOUGHT BE GIVEN TO
9 THAT SPECIFIC RESPONSE SO THAT IN THE INTEREST OF THE LACK OF
10 A BETTER WAY OF CHARACTERIZING IT, THE SETTling THE CONCERN
11 THAT IS BEING RAISED AS TO THE FLEXIBILITY AND/OR THE
12 APPLICABILITY OF THE RESOURCES IN THE CONTEXT OF THE
13 DISTRIBUTION OF THOSE RESOURCES. I THINK THE BOARD WOULD BEST
14 BENEFIT FROM PERHAPS A DEEPER ANALYSIS AND/OR REPRESENTATION
15 OF THE PRELIMINARY STATEMENTS BEING MADE BY COUNSEL. ALL
16 RIGHT?

17

18 **MARK SALADINO, COUNSEL:** WE'LL PROVIDE YOU A MEMO, SUPERVISOR,
19 OUTLINING HOW THE ALLOCATION PROCESS WORKS LEGALLY.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KUEHL:** MR. MAYOR? MR. PEREZ, I HAVE ONE MORE QUESTION. IT
24 SEEMS TO ME THAT THE STATE BUDGET CONTAINS SOME MONEY THAT
25 GOES INTO EFFECT THIS YEAR BUT PROBABLY WON'T COME TO US UNTIL

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1 JANUARY OF 2016 SEPARATE FROM RYAN WHITE THAT IS SUPPOSED TO
2 GO TO HELPING PEOPLE WITH THEIR CO-PAYS FOR PREMIUMS? CAN YOU
3 TELL ME--?

4

5 **MARIO PEREZ:** THAT IS CORRECT, MADAME SUPERVISOR. THE STATE OF
6 CALIFORNIA HAS OPERATED A HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUM PAYMENT
7 PROGRAM FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. AND WE HAVE BEEN, IN
8 PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR LOCAL COMMISSION ON H.I.V., IN
9 CONVERSATIONS WITH THE STATE ABOUT THE NEED TO BROADEN THAT
10 PORTFOLIO TO COVER PREMIUMS, CO-PAYS AND DEDUCTIBLES FOR FOLKS
11 WHO RELY ON OTHER INSURANCE PLANS TO COVER THEIR H.I.V.
12 MEDICAL CARE. THE EXPECTATION IS THAT THE STATE OFFICE OF
13 A.I.D.S. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2016 WILL BEGIN THAT EXPANDED
14 O.A.H.I.P. PROGRAM THAT SHOULD ALLOW US FOR THE FIRST TIME IN
15 CALIFORNIA TO PROVIDE THAT SUPPORT THAT I WOULD ARGUE IS
16 REALLY IMPORTANT AND SORELY NEEDED. BUT IT MAKES ABSOLUTE
17 SENSE FOR THE STATE TO DO IT IN A CENTRALIZED MANNER MUCH LIKE
18 THE A.I.D.S. OR ASSISTANCE PROGRAM RATHER THAN A PIECEMEAL
19 COUNTY BY COUNTY APPROACH.

20

21 **SUP. KUEHL:** SO IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE ELEMENT THAT REMAINS IN
22 QUESTION DOESN'T RELATE TO THIS MOTION BUT HAS TO DO WITH THE
23 24,000 AND HOW WE-- I MEAN SOME OF IT, WE'VE MADE ATTEMPTS TO
24 BRING PEOPLE INTO CARE AND THERE'S STIGMA IN THE COMMUNITY.
25 THIS IS NOT A NEW ISSUE FOR ME TO CONSIDER, EITHER. BUT WE

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1 HAVE TO DO BETTER. AND I GUESS THE QUESTION IS: WHAT KINDS OF
2 FUNDS CAN BE USED FOR THAT OUTREACH? BECAUSE CLEARLY IF
3 THERE'S 24,000, THE SERVICE PROVIDERS HAVEN'T DONE IT, EITHER.
4 OR PERHAPS THEY'VE TRIED AND HAVEN'T BEEN SUCCESSFUL AND NEED
5 BETTER PARTNERS. SO THE QUESTION IS: STATE FUNDING, IS THERE
6 ANY AVAILABLE FOR THAT KIND OF OUTREACH? ANYTHING TO BE USED
7 IN RYAN WHITE OR ANY OTHER KINDS OF FUNDS? AND I THINK THAT'S
8 WHAT WE WANT TO PURSUE ONGOING.

9

10 **MARIO PEREZ:** VERY WELL.

11

12 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MOTION? SO MOVED BY
15 SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. WITHOUT
16 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU. AS AMENDED. AS AMENDED.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AS AMENDED, THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR; DON, ADJOURNMENTS?**

21

22 **>>SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. TODAY SEVERAL
23 ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST OF ALL WE MOVE IN MEMORY OF A GOOD FRIEND
24 AND LIFE-LONG RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND ONE OF MY
25 APPOINTEES TO THE DISABILITY COMMISSION, ERNIE CASTANO, WHO

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1 PASSED AWAY ON FEBRUARY 8TH AT THE AGE OF 64. HE WAS SECRETARY
2 ON THE PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES COUNCIL GOVERNING BOARD.
3 HE ALSO SERVED ON THE LONG BEACH TRANSIT, PARATRANSIT ADVISORY
4 COMMITTEE. LOS ANGELES CARE HEATHY PLAN. LOS ANGELES COUNTY
5 I.H.S. ADVISORY COMMISSION AND CHAIR OF THE DISABLED ACTION
6 NETWORK. HE IS SURVIVED BY MOTHER ALICIA, SISTER VELMA, SON
7 ERICK, DAUGHTER-IN-LAW JODI, THREE GRANDCHILDREN AND FOUR
8 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. DEAR FRIEND AND WE EXCHANGED PICTURES ON
9 GRANDKIDS. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY A VERY TRAGIC ACCIDENT
10 AND THAT'S ALEXIS AND ELIAS GARCIA WHO WERE KILLED IN A TRAGIC
11 CAR ACCIDENT IN WILMINGTON ON THE AFTERNOON OF JANUARY 29TH.
12 LEXI, 18, WAS A SENIOR AT BANNING HIGH SCHOOL AND HER BROTHER
13 ELI WAS A SOPHOMORE. THE COMMUNITY AND SCHOOL ARE IN A STATE
14 OF SHOCK AND GRIEF. NO WORDS CAN DESCRIBE WHAT THE FAMILY IS
15 GOING THROUGH AT THIS TIME. THEY WILL BE DEARLY MISSED BY
16 FAMILY, FRIENDS AND THE ENTIRE WILMINGTON COMMUNITY. ALSO WE
17 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ANOTHER GOOD FRIEND, CORNELIA
18 "CORRIE" MEDINA, A PARISHIONER OF MY CHURCH WHO PASSED AWAY ON
19 JANUARY 30TH. SHE WAS BORN IN BELLFLOWER, ATTENDED BELLFLOWER
20 CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS, WAS VERY INVOLVED IN HER FAMILY BUSINESS,
21 THE ARTESIA MILLING COMPANY. SHE AND GEORGE HER HUSBAND WERE
22 BOTH EMPLOYED AT THE MILL AND WERE MARRIED ON APRIL 2, 1971.
23 THEY BOTH ALSO WORKED AT VALLEY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL FOR 13
24 YEARS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND GEORGE, TWO SONS, TODD
25 AND JASON, SIX GRANDCHILDREN, FIVE BROTHERS AND FOUR SISTERS.

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1 OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY. THAT'S MY
2 ADJOURNMENTS, MR. MAYOR.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ON A REPORT BACK, I WAS RECENTLY
9 INFORMED OF A MATTER INVOLVING THE LICENSING OF A PART-TIME
10 SEASONAL SNACK BAR OPERATED BY THE COVINA AMERICAN LEAGUE,
11 LITTLE LEAGUE PROGRAM. THE ORGANIZATION HAS AN A RATING AND IN
12 THE PAST YEAR WAS CHARGED THE FEE OF \$156.25. THEY WERE
13 RECENTLY INFORMED BY LICENSING THAT THEIR FEE HAS NOW BEEN
14 INCREASED TO \$900 AND THEY ARE BEING CATEGORIZED AS A FULL-
15 TIME RESTAURANT. THE PRESIDENT OF THE LITTLE LEAGUE PROGRAM
16 REQUESTED CLARIFICATION FEE BUT TO DATE HASN'T RECEIVED
17 RESPONSE AND IS BEING THREATENED FOR CLOSURE. THIS REPRESENTS
18 A BAD MOVE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. I MOVE THAT THE BOARD
19 MOVE THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO INVESTIGATE AND
20 REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BEING TAKEN TO ADDRESS
21 THE POOR PERFORMANCE, THE STAFF AND IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THE
22 COVINA AMERICAN LITTLE LEAGUE PROGRAM AS REQUESTED BY THE
23 PRESIDENT OF THE ORGANIZATION WITH A REPORT BACK NEXT WEEK.
24 I'LL MOVE. SECONDED BY SOLIS. SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
25 ORDERED. I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RENEE

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1 WINDSOR, FORMER DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR THE PAST 34 YEARS, WHO PASSED AWAY ON
3 JANUARY 5TH. WAS A GRADUATE OF CAL. STATE NORTHRIDGE AND HELD
4 VARIOUS MANAGEMENT POSITIONS, INCLUDING PERSONNEL, COURT AND
5 PROGRAM AND POLICY. SHE WAS CHAIR OF THE COMMISSION FOR
6 CHILDREN SERVICES IN DESCHUTES COUNTY AND A VOLUNTEER FOR THE
7 ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF BEN. JAMES SPEER, RESIDENT OF GLENDORA,
8 SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY DURING WORLD WAR II, PASSED
9 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84. HE OPERATED SPEER'S FLOWERS IN GLENDORA
10 AND WAS A DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND STATE
11 FLORIST ASSOCIATION, CHAIRMAN OF THE BALDWIN PARK CENTRAL
12 BUSINESS REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT, SERVED AS TRUSTEE, CHAIRMAN OF
13 THE METHODIST CHURCH, RECEIVED A DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN OF THE
14 YEAR AWARD, SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE COVINA CHAMBER OF
15 COMMERCE AND APPOINTED TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION
16 FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS. DANIEL LOUIS GOULD, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF
17 ALTADENA PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80. HE HAD WORKED FOR THE
18 LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF THE TAX ASSESSOR FOR 31 YEARS.
19 CONSUMMATE GENTLEMAN AND TREATED EVERY PERSON FROM EVERY WALK
20 OF LIFE WITH EQUAL RESPECT THAT HE HAD FOR EVERYONE AND HELPED
21 EVERYONE. DEPUTY THOMAS CORBETT, RETIRED SHERIFF DEPUTY,
22 PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 22ND. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS THE
23 WAYSIDE HONOR RANCHO. VINCENT BARRETT, RESIDENT OF MORENO
24 VALLEY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 47. HE WORKED FOR OUR
25 PROBATION DEPARTMENT FOR OVER 25 YEARS AT CAMP MUNZ AND CAMP

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1 SCUDDER. HE EXHIBITED HIS COMMITMENT TO DEDICATION TO
2 REHABILITATING AND MENTORING OUR YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN. ROBERT
3 ACUNA, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY PASSED AWAY
4 AT THE AGE OF 78. HE SERVED IN THE KOREAN WAR AND WENT ON TO
5 OWN HIS OWN BUSINESS. HE WORKED AS A SUPERINTENDENT FOR
6 CONSTRUCTION COMPANY AND EMPLOYED IN THE DELIVERY SECTOR OF
7 THE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT. MARIA OATES, MEMBER, RETIRED, OF
8 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, SHE RETIRED IN
9 2002. AND SHE WAS WITH THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS BUREAU. ROBERT
10 CARROLL, RETIRED LIEUTENANT IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
11 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE WAS IN THE TRANSPORTATION BUREAU.
12 MONTE THOMPSON, RETIRED DEPUTY, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
13 DEPARTMENT. AND HE HAD JOINED THE DEPARTMENT IN '56 AND
14 RETIRED IN 1986 AND ALSO SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR
15 FORCE. JAMES ROBINSON, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 78. HE WAS
16 PRECINCT CHAIR DURING RONALD REAGAN'S FIRST GUBERNATORIAL
17 CAMPAIGN AND SUCCESSFUL CAREER IN THE LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS
18 AND WAS A CANTOR AND PRISON MINISTER FOR NATIVITY OF OUR LADY
19 PARISH IN HIS RETIREMENT. LUKA KURILICH, LONG- TIME RESIDENT
20 OF ALHAMBRA, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 57. ACTIVE MEMBER OF
21 ST. STEVEN'S SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH IN ALHAMBRA. KATHLEEN
22 WYGAL, RETIRED SERGEANT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
23 DEPARTMENT. AND SHE WORKED WITH THE DIVISION YOUTH SERVICES
24 BUREAU. REGINALD THREADGILL, RETIRED DEPUTY, L.A. COUNTY
25 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE HAD RETIRED FROM THE CUSTODY DIVISION

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1 HALL OF JUSTICE IN 1976. AND DONALD PRINCE, RETIRED DEPUTY
2 SHERIFF, AND SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS. PASSED
3 AWAY ON DECEMBER 23RD. AND HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS THE
4 LAKEWOOD SHERIFF'S STATION. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MARK
5 RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. FIRST
6 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT? ADJOURNMENTS?

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8 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I'D LIKE TO TAKE THE
9 PRIVILEGE BEFORE I ANNOUNCE MY ADJOURNMENTS TO BRING UP A
10 POINT BEFORE THE BOARD. I WOULD JUST LIKE TO BRIEFLY TAKE THIS
11 OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS AN IMPORTANT ISSUE THAT'S CONFRONTING
12 MY DISTRICT. IT HAS TO DEAL WITH A BUSINESS KNOWN AS EXIDE
13 TECHNOLOGIES LOCATED IN VERNON, CALIFORNIA. IT'S PROBABLY NOT
14 AN ISSUE THAT IS UNKNOWN TO MANY OF YOU HERE ON THE DAIS. I
15 KNOW THIS WAS BROUGHT UP UNDER THE PREVIOUS YEAR. EXIDE IS A
16 BUSINESS THAT SOME OF YOU KNOW THAT'S BEEN AROUND NOW FOR 25
17 YEARS. WE FOUND THAT IT HAS EMITTED AND CONTAMINATED MANY OF
18 OUR NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES WITH LEAD AND ARSENIC. IN MY
19 OPINION, IT'S AN ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ISSUE THAT MUST BE
20 ADDRESSED. YESTERDAY, A NONPROFIT BY THE NAME OF COMMUNITIES
21 FOR A BETTER ENVIRONMENT, ALONG WITH THE EAST YARD COMMUNITY
22 HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE TO RALLY AND DEMAND EXIDE BE CLOSED
23 FOR BUSINESS PERMANENTLY. WE HEARD FROM MANY RESIDENTS IN THE
24 FIRST DISTRICT. SOME RESIDENTS WERE TESTED FOR LEAD BY OUR
25 COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUT WERE NEVER GIVEN THE

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1 RESULTS BACK. IF OUR COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT HAD BEEN
2 PRESENT YESTERDAY, OUR RESIDENTS WOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO
3 RECEIVE INFORMATION SO THAT THEY COULD FEEL SOME SELF-
4 ASSURANCE BUT ALSO KNOW WHERE TO GO FOR HELP. OUR COUNTY
5 PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO CONTINUE TESTING MORE OF OUR
6 RESIDENTS IN THE COMMUNITY FOR LEAD AND ALSO PROVIDE A
7 COMPLETE FOLLOW UP. IT NEEDS TO BE DONE. IN THE NEXT COUPLE
8 WEEKS THERE WILL BE MORE SOIL TESTING DONE AT SOME OF THE
9 NEIGHBORS PARKS IN THE SURROUNDING AREA. IT HAS CREATED QUITE
10 AN ALARM AMONG SOME FAMILIES AND RESIDENTS. FOR THAT REASON,
11 I'M ASKING THAT THE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH MAKE THEIR STAFF
12 AVAILABLE TO THE COMMUNITY AT TOWN HALLS, PRESS CONFERENCES
13 AND RALLIES AND OTHER PUBLIC EVENTS TO INFORM OUR COMMUNITY.
14 NO COMMUNITY LIKE THIS SHOULD RECEIVE LESS THAN WHAT THEY ARE
15 ENTITLED TO. LET'S LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD AND MAKE SURE THAT
16 THEY ALSO RECEIVE ADEQUATE ATTENTION, WHETHER IT'S MEASLES,
17 WHETHER IT'S LEAD POISONING, OR WHAT HAVE YOU, WE HAVE AN
18 OBLIGATION TO RESPOND TO OUR COMMUNITY. I WANT TO THANK ALSO
19 MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY THAT SHOWED UP, THAT DID SHOW UP AND
20 PROVIDE FOR ASSISTANCE. I WANT TO THANK IRENE PULLET WITH THE
21 COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES, MARTHA MOLINA AVILAS AND RAFAEL
22 CARBAJAL WITH THE COUNTY COMMUNITY SENIOR SERVICES FOR
23 ATTENDING YESTERDAY'S PRESS CONFERENCE ALONG WITH ARTHUR
24 MONTREAL, JAMES YAMAS AND CURT KAHN, ALL WITH THE WORK SOURCE
25 CENTER, BECAUSE WHAT WE'RE ALSO FINDING AND CONFRONTING IS NOT

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1 ONLY WERE FAMILIES CONTAMINATED OR REMEDIATION HAS TO OCCUR AT
2 THEIR HOMES AND NEIGHBORHOODS, BUT THE FACT THAT THERE WERE
3 ABOUT 130 WORKERS THAT WERE DISLOCATED. SO ON THE ONE HAND,
4 WE'RE ALSO SEEING THROUGH THE WORKFORCE CENTER TRYING TO HELP
5 PROVIDE ASSISTANCE FOR THOSE DISLOCATED WORKERS. AND I KNOW
6 THAT THERE WILL BE SEVERAL WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS THAT WILL BE
7 HELD AT THE HUB CITIES, AT VARIOUS AMERICA JOBS CENTERS IN
8 EAST LOS ANGELES AND SANTA FE SPRINGS. THE PEOPLE THAT ARE
9 AFFECTED IN THAT SURROUNDING AREA. SO I DID WANT TO DRAW THAT
10 TO YOUR ATTENTION. NOW, AS I MOVE TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
11 JUDSON CHU, WHO IS THE FATHER OF CONGRESSWOMAN JUDY CHU, SOME
12 OF YOU MAY KNOW. MR. JUDSON CHU, WAS BORN ON FEBRUARY 19, 1923
13 IN CHICO, CALIFORNIA PASSED AWAY FEBRUARY 1, 2015 AT THE AGE
14 OF 91. HE GREW UP IN LOS ANGELES AND SERVED IN THE UNITED
15 STATES ARMY DURING WORLD WAR II AS A RADIO COMMUNICATIONS
16 SERGEANT AT OKINAWA. HE AND HIS WIFE MAY RELOCATED TO SANTA
17 CLARA AFTER THE WAR AND WORKED FOR PAC BELL FOR 23 YEARS
18 EVENTUALLY BECOMING A SUPERVISOR. HE WAS ACTIVE IN THE
19 AMERICAN LEGION, THE Y.M.C.A., THE CATHAY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
20 AND WAS PRESIDENT OF THE CHINESE AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE.
21 HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER DOROTHY AND OF COURSE
22 CONGRESSWOMAN JUDY CHU. SONS DEAN AND JEFFREY, AND FOUR
23 GRANDCHILDREN, TONY, TIMOTHY, ELIZABETH, LIANE AND CARRIE AND
24 A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS. HE WILL BE
25 MISSED BY THEM DEARLY.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALL MEMBERS.

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4 **SUP. SOLIS:** ONE LAST ONE, MR. MAYOR. ALLAN KAUFMAN, WHO WAS
5 BORN ON AUGUST 25TH, 1928 IN CLEVELAND, OHIO, PASSED AWAY ON
6 JANUARY 16 AT THE AGE OF 87. HE ATTENDED COLLEGE FOR TWO YEARS
7 AND WORKED AS A MECHANIC AT THE STATE HOSPITAL IN POMONA,
8 CALIFORNIA. A LONGTIME VOLUNTEER ON PATROL IN THE SHERIFF'S
9 DEPARTMENT INDUSTRY STATION WHERE HE WAS A RADIO OPERATOR. HE
10 WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP ESPECIALLY AS
11 A STREET CAPTAIN OF THE NORTH WHITTIER NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
12 AVOCADO HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, FOUR-
13 STEP DAUGHTERS AND TWO CHILDREN AND HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY
14 MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. THANK YOU, MR.
15 MAYOR.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
18 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR. PERMIT ME
21 TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ONE WHO IS A PIONEER IN HIS OWN RIGHT
22 AND MADE HISTORY IN OUR NATION. I SPEAK OF CHARLIE SIFFORD,
23 BORN IN CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, JUNE OF 1922 AND PASSED ON
24 FEBRUARY 3RD AT THE AGE OF 92. HIS FIRST JOB WAS AS WORKING AS
25 A CADDY AT THE CAROLINA COUNTRY CLUB WHERE HE PLAYED GOLF

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1 DURING CLOSING HOURS. HE PLAYED AT COBBS CREEK, AN ALL-BLACK
2 GOLF CLUB IN PHILADELPHIA UNTIL HE ENLISTED IN THE UNITED
3 STATES ARMY DURING WORLD WAR II. AT THE AGE OF 26, HE PURSUED
4 A PROFESSIONAL GOLF CAREER AND EARNED A PLACE AMONG GOLF
5 ELITES DURING A TIME WHEN ONLY CAUCASIANS WERE ALLOWED TO
6 BECOME MEMBERS IN TOURNAMENTS SPONSORED BY THE PROFESSIONAL
7 GOLFERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA. WHILE PLAYING ON TOUR, HE WAS
8 SUBJECTED TO HARASSMENT AND ABUSE. HOWEVER, IN 1961 UNDER THEN
9 ATTORNEY GENERAL STANLEY MOSK, LATER STATE SUPREME COURT
10 JUSTICE, P.G.A. REMOVED THE CAUCASIANS-ONLY CLAUSE AND MR.
11 SIFFORD WAS GIVEN MEMBERSHIP. HE WON TWO TOURNAMENTS IN THE
12 P.G.A. TOUR INCLUDING THE 1967 AND GREATER HARTFORD OPEN AND
13 IN 1969 THE LOS ANGELES OPEN HERE, AND TWO SENIOR TITLES
14 INCLUDING THE 1975 SENIOR P.G.A. CHAMPIONSHIP. IN 2004, MR.
15 SIFFORD WAS THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN PLAYER TO BE INCLUDED
16 INTO THE WORLD GOLF HALL OF FAME. IN 2006 HE RECEIVED AN
17 HONORARY DEGREE OF LAW, DOCTRINE OF LAWS FROM ST. ANDREWS, AND
18 IN 2014 LAST YEAR HE WAS THE RECIPIENT OF THE PRESIDENTIAL
19 MEDAL OF FREEDOM. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A PIONEER IN GOLF
20 AND FOR HIS DETERMINATION AND PASSION THAT PAVED THE WAY FOR
21 MANY OTHERS TO FOLLOW. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SONS CHARLES AND
22 GREG AND MANY, MANY FANS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS. CHARLIE SIFFORD,
23 MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES. AND IF YOU PERMIT ME TO READ IN A
24 MOTION, MR. MAYOR, I WILL PROCEED AS FOLLOWING ON BEHALF OF
25 BOTH MYSELF AND THE MAYOR. THIS IS ON THE STATUS OF THE LOS

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1 ANGELES REGION INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM, WHICH THE
2 BOARD HAS GIVEN CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION TO FOR THE PAST SEVERAL
3 YEARS. AND I THINK IT'S HIGH TIME THAT WE GIVE THIS A CLOSER
4 LOOK. AND I WILL OFFER THE RATIONALE FOR THAT IN THE READING
5 OF THE MOTION. "L.A. COUNTY IS A MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES
6 REGION INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM, A JOINT AUTHORITY
7 TASKED WITH THE DUTY TO CONSTRUCT A COUNTY-WIDE VOICE AND DATA
8 COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND FOR FIRST
9 RESPONDERS. THE SYSTEM IS ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE THAT ALL
10 RELEVANT PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH AGENCIES CAN COMMUNICATE
11 WITH EACH OTHER SEAMLESSLY IN THE EVENT OF A DISASTER. THE
12 SYSTEM IS COMPOSED OF TWO COMPONENTS, AN L.T.E. DATA SYSTEM
13 AND AN L.M.R. VOICE SYSTEM. GIVEN THE LARGE FEDERAL AND LOCAL
14 INVESTMENT TO PLAN AND CONDUCT, CONSTRUCT THIS SYSTEM, IT
15 SHOULD PROVIDE THE ADDITIONAL BENEFIT OF FUELING LOCAL
16 CONSTRUCTION EMPLOYMENT IN THE REGION. THIS IS ESPECIALLY TRUE
17 BECAUSE THE L.T.E. SYSTEM IS PRIMARILY FUNDED BY AMERICA
18 RECOVERY ACT GRANTS, GRANTS ESPECIALLY INTENDED TO CREATE
19 EMPLOYMENT. A NUMBER OF MUNICIPALITIES HAVE RECENTLY OPTED
20 OUT, INCLUDING THE LARGE MUNICIPALITY OF LONG BEACH. THE BOARD
21 OF SUPERVISORS SHOULD BE REASSURED THAT THE SYSTEM COVERAGE IS
22 STILL COUNTY-WIDE AND WILL FULFILL ITS PURPOSE IN THE EVENT OF
23 A DISASTER. IN ADDITION, WHEN A MUNICIPALITY LEAVES L.A.-
24 R.I.C.S., EACH REMAINING MEMBER'S SHARE OF THE COST TO
25 CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN THE SYSTEM INCREASES. THE BOARD OF

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1 SUPERVISORS SHOULD BE APPRISED OF THE FISCAL IMPACT NOT ONLY
2 ON THE COUNTY BUT ALSO ON THE OTHER CITIES IN THE SYSTEM, SOME
3 OF WHICH MAY NOT BE ABLE TO WITHSTAND THE INCREASED FINANCIAL
4 BURDEN. WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT
5 THE INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO REPORT BACK IN 60 DAYS
6 FOR DISCUSSION BY THE BOARD ON THE FOLLOWING, AND THERE ARE
7 FOUR POINTS: A) THE STATUS OF CONSTRUCTION, INCLUDING
8 EMPLOYMENT OF COUNTY RESIDENTS IN CONSTRUCTION OF THE SYSTEM
9 AND, B) THE NUMBER OF MUNICIPAL DEPARTURES AND THE IMPACT OF
10 THOSE DEPARTURES ON L.A.-R.I.C.S. COVERAGE FOOTPRINT AND
11 INTEROPERABILITY. C) THE MUNICIPALITIES THAT HAVE EXPRESSED
12 CONCERN WITH THE J.P.A. FOR AN INTENT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM THE
13 J.P.A. AND, D) THE CONSEQUENCE AND IMPACT OF MUNICIPAL
14 DEPARTURES ON L.A.- R.I.C.S., J.P.A. ON THE REMAINING MEMBERS '
15 SHARE OF COSTS." I SUBMIT THIS, MR. MAYOR, ON BEHALF OF
16 YOURSELF AND MYSELF. AND IT'S A REPORT BACK, SO I TRUST IT
17 COULD BE TAKEN UP AND DISPOSED OF TODAY.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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21 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I HAVE A QUESTION. I WASN'T
22 HERE, OF COURSE, WHEN THE COUNTY ENTERED INTO THIS AGREEMENT.
23 AND I'M ASSUMING WHEN YOU CREATE A COUNTY-WIDE SYSTEM FOR
24 FIRST RESPONDERS, THAT IT'S MEANT TO BE COUNTY-WIDE SO THAT
25 EVERYBODY WILL KNOW AT THE SAME TIME ON AN ENTIRELY SEPARATE

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1 COMMUNICATION SYSTEM, ACTUALLY TWO SEPARATE ONES. SO THAT IN
2 THE EVENT OF A DISASTER, WE CAN COORDINATE. SO I'M A LITTLE
3 CONFUSED. CAN THIS BE DEFEATED BY 88 CITIES OPTING OUT. I
4 MEAN, REALLY, A CITY HERE, A CITY THERE SAYING THEY DON'T WANT
5 TO DO IT, DOES THAT JUST MEAN THEY DON'T WANT TO BE
6 PARTICIPATE IN THE FUNDING? OR THE TOWERS WOULD NOT BE ERECTED
7 IN THE CITIES?

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** FUNDING. THEY WANT MONEY. THOSE THAT HAVE OPTED
10 OUT WANT MONEY.

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12 **SUP. KUEHL:** WANT MONEY FROM WHO?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** US. L.A.-R.I.C.S THE REALITY WOULD BE IS IF 88
15 CITIES BAILED OUT, THEN THEIR POLICE AND FIRE WOULDN'T BE ABLE
16 TO COMMUNICATE. I DO THINK IN THE MOTION, I THINK IT'S
17 TORRANCE, NOT LONG BEACH THAT HAS OPTED OUT.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT'S BOTH I'M TOLD.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** I DON'T THINK LONG BEACH DID.

22

23 **SUP. KUEHL:** LET'S SAY IF WE PICKED UP ALL THE FUNDING,
24 MAGICALLY, THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO BUILD THE TOWERS THAT ARE
25 REQUIRED FOR THE COMMUNICATION IN THE CITIES THAT OPTED OUT?

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1 OR DOES THAT CREATE KIND OF A BLANK SPOT? A RATHER LARGE BLANK
2 SPOT. DOES ANYBODY KNOW? I KNOW THIS MOTION CAME IN WITHOUT
3 KNOWING. SO I GUESS THERE IS PROBABLY NO ONE HERE TO ANSWER
4 THE QUESTION. I WOULD SUPPORT IT. I WOULDN'T MIND HEARING BACK
5 ABOUT THIS INFORMATION

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** I WOULD ASK TO GET BRIEFED BY THE FIRE CHIEF. HE
8 CAN EXPLAIN THE NETWORK TO YOU AS WELL AS THE SHERIFF.

9

10 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** I BELIEVE AT THE LAST L.A.-
11 R.I.C.S. MEETING, I ALSO HAD THAT SAME QUESTION ABOUT THE
12 CITIES THAT WERE OPTING OUT AND WHAT THE COMMUNICATION WOULD
13 BE IF THE CITY OPTED OUT, IF WE HAD A DEAD ZONE. SO AT THE
14 NEXT L.A.-R.I.C.S. MEETING, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IS SUPPOSED
15 TO PROVIDE A FULL REPORT ON THAT. AND PERHAPS IN THE REPORT
16 BACK TO THIS BOARD, PURSUANT TO THE MOTION, IT WILL BE
17 INCLUDED IN THE DISCUSSION.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IN LIGHT OF-- WHEN WAS THAT RECENT L.A.-
20 R.I.C.S. MEETING?

21

22 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** IT WAS LAST WEEK.

23

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND WHAT WAS-- IF YOU KNOW THE ANSWER TO
2 THIS, HOW MANY CITIES TO DATE HAVE CHOSEN TO INDICATE
3 THEIR...?

4

5 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** THAT I DON'T KNOW. AT THE LAST
6 MEETING IT WAS LONG BEACH AND ONE OTHER CITY THAT OPTED OUT.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** TORRANCE.

9

10 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** TORRANCE HAD PREVIOUSLY OPTED OUT
11 BUT THERE ARE OTHER CITIES THAT ARE NO LONGER--

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL:** IT SEEMS THE FOURTH ITEM IN THE MOTION WOULD COVER
14 A REPORT BACK ABOUT THE IMPACT OF WHAT IT MEANS FOR CITIES TO
15 OPT OUT. AND I WOULD HOPE THAT SECTION WOULD BE INTERPRETED TO
16 ALSO LET US KNOW: DOES THAT MEAN THAT THE SYSTEM ITSELF MIGHT
17 BE INCOMPLETE?

18

19 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

20

21 **SUP. KUEHL:** OR INOPERABLE OR LESS EFFECTIVE? I THINK THAT'S
22 IMPORTANT TO KNOW BECAUSE IT'S A BUNCH OF BUCKS.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH, IT IS.

25

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1 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** WE'LL INCLUDE THAT IN THE REPORT
2 BACK.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT TOOK AN INCREDIBLE EFFORT TO TRY TO
5 PIECE IT TOGETHER. YEARS AND YEARS, AND IT WASN'T EASY. SO THE
6 QUESTION IS: SHOULD WE NOT BE APPRISED OF THE STATUS OF IT TO
7 THIS POINT AND HOW WELL IT IS OR IS NOT DOING AND WHY. MR.
8 MAYOR.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS BURBANK IN OR ARE THEY OUT?

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12 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** THEY'RE OUT.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** BURBANK IS OUT, AS WELL?

15

16 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** THEY'RE OUT.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHEN WE GET THE REPORT BACK, BUT I
19 WOULD HOPE THE COUNTY IS NOT GOING TO BE LEFT HOLDING THE BAG.
20 AND THAT'S NOT THE WAY THIS IDEA WAS GIVEN TO US.

21

22 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

23

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WE WERE SUPPORTING. ANYWAY, WE'LL
2 GET THE REPORT BACK. MR. PREVEN WANTED TO SPEAK FOR ONE MINUTE
3 ON THIS ITEM.

4

5 **INTERIM C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ONE MINUTE, MR. PREVEN?

8

9 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, SIR. ITS ERIC PREVEN, COUNTY RESIDENT
10 FROM DISTRICT 3. AND LONGTIME BOARD FOLLOWER. AND OF COURSE I
11 REMEMBER THE STRUGGLE FOR L.A.-R.I.C.S. AND I REMEMBER THAT IT
12 WAS FOR ALL OF THE CITIES TO CREATE A NET IN KIND OF A
13 COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM. SO THE IDEA THAT THESE TERRITORIES,
14 LONG BEACH, TORRANCE AND BURBANK ARE CONSIDERING SOMEHOW
15 OPTING OUT BECAUSE I THINK-- I DON'T KNOW IF IT WAS AN
16 ACCURATE STATEMENT. I'M SURE MR. KNABE WAS JUST GIVING HIS
17 OPINION THAT THEY ARE AFTER MONEY FROM THE COUNTY, THAT IS
18 ABHORRENT. WE ARE TALKING ABOUT A SYSTEM THAT'S DESIGNED TO
19 NOTICE, IN THE CASE OF EMERGENCY. THIS IS APPALLING. FIRST OF
20 ALL, I WILL SAY, I WANT TO THANK WHOEVER MADE THE MOTION. I
21 THINK IT'S THE CHAIR, OR THE MAYOR, AND MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR
22 BRINGING THIS FORWARD. I WOULD ASK IN THE FUTURE THAT WE
23 CONNECT IT TO THE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION ABOUT THE STATUS OF
24 THIS PARTICULAR ITEM. IN OTHER WORDS, LAST TIME THE BOARD
25 APPROVED OR-- BECAUSE IT'S VERY HARD TO KNOW WHEN A PIECE OF

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1 PAPER FLIES THROUGH THE ROOM. I REALIZE YOU ARE BEING REACTIVE
2 HERE TO WORD ON THE STREET. SO IT'S APPROPRIATE. BUT JUST
3 LET'S FORMALIZE IT SO THAT PEOPLE COULD WEIGH IN. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR? I DON'T KNOW WHAT HE MEANS WHEN
6 HE SUGGESTS "BEING REACTIVE TO WORD ON THE STREETS." NOT
7 QUITE. THERE IS A LOT OF MONITORING OF THIS GOING ON. AND IT'S
8 CLEARLY IMPORTANT IN LIGHT OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY CONCERNS THAT
9 ARE ATTACHED TO IT AND I DON'T TAKE THAT AS A DISPARAGING
10 REMARK ON THE SPEAKER'S PART, MR. MAYOR. BUT THIS IS WAY
11 BEYOND MERE REACTION TO HEARSAY. IT IS WELL DOCUMENTED THE
12 CONCERNS THAT ARE BEING MEMORIALIZED BY WAY OF THIS MOTION,
13 AND IT SHOULD BE ELEVATED FOR PUBLIC SCRUTINY AND PUBLIC
14 DISCUSSION. MAY I SIMPLY SUGGEST TO YOU THAT YOU SPELL YOUR
15 ROLE WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUE OF THE CITIES THAT HAVE CHOSEN
16 TO PULL OUT BEING INVOLVED IN BEHAVIOR THAT I THINK YOU
17 DESCRIBED AS "ABHORRENT." I DON'T KNOW THE REASONS FOR THEIR
18 PULLING OUT. IT COULD BE FINANCIAL. IT COULD BE OTHER REASONS.
19 SO I THINK YOUR RUSH TO JUDGMENT OUGHT TO BE TEMPERED WITH FAR
20 MORE INFORMATION. I TRUST THAT YOU SHARE THAT POINT. THANK
21 YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. WITHOUT
24 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOU HAD ADJOURNMENT
25 MOTIONS?

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1

2 **SUP. KUEHL:** I THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
3 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF SHERRY BRODY, AN EARLY
4 PIONEER IN THE FEMINIST ART MOVEMENT WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY
5 AT THE AGE OF 82. BEGAN HER CAREER AS THE TEACHING ASSISTANT
6 FOR MIRIAM SCHAPIRO AT CAL. ARTS, HELPING HER TO ESTABLISH THE
7 FIRST FEMINIST ART PROGRAM THERE IN THE EARLY 1970S. THEIR
8 WORKS INCLUDE AN ICONIC PIECE TITLED "DOLL HOUSE" WHICH NOW
9 RESIDES IN THE COLLECTION OF THE SMITHSONIAN. HER SUBSEQUENT
10 WORK HAS BEEN EXHIBITED IN NEW YORK AND LOS ANGELES. SHE'S
11 SURVIVED BY TWO DAUGHTERS, ELLEN BRODY ROTHSTEIN AND PAMELA
12 BRODY AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED NOT ONLY
13 AS A GREAT FRIEND TO THE ARTS BUT AS A BEACON AND INSPIRATION
14 TO YOUNG ARTISTS SEEKING TO DISCOVER THEIR OWN VOICE AND THEIR
15 EXPRESSIVE VISION. MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I MOVE THAT WHEN
16 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOY RABIN, LONGTIME
17 RESIDENT OF THE THIRD DISTRICT, RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE
18 AGE OF 91. SHE WAS BORN IN CHICAGO, EARNED HER B.A. DEGREE IN
19 '44 AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN IN POLITICAL SCIENCE,
20 PURSUED HER STUDIES THROUGH ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES AT
21 U.C.L.A., AND IN 1985 SHE EARNED HER MASTER'S IN HUMAN
22 DEVELOPMENT AT PACIFIC OAKS COLLEGE. SHE SPECIALIZED IN
23 MARRIAGE, FAMILY AND CHILD COUNSELING WHICH BECAME HER LIFE'S
24 WORK BOTH IN TEACHING AND IN PRIVATE PRACTICE. TO THE END, SHE
25 CONTINUED HER SERVICES AS A VOLUNTEER AT FREIDA MOHR JEWISH

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1 FAMILY SERVICES OF LOS ANGELES. SHE WAS AN AVID BRIDGE PLAYER
2 AND A PAST PRESIDENT OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF BEVERLY
3 HILLS. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, BRUCE. THEY WERE MARRIED
4 FOR 69 YEARS. THEY HAVE TWO DAUGHTERS, SUSAN R. HYMERS AND
5 ROBBY RABIN DALESANDRO, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN AND EIGHT GREAT
6 GRANDCHILDREN. SHE WAS DEEPLY LOVED AND WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED.
7 AND MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
8 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JON JERDE, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF
9 THE THIRD DISTRICT LIVING IN BRENTWOOD AND A RENOWNED LOS
10 ANGELES ARCHITECT WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 75
11 AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH CANCER AND ALZHEIMER'S. HE WAS BEST
12 KNOWN FOR HIS INNOVATIVE DESIGNS FOR SUCH "EXPERIENCE" MALLS
13 AS UNIVERSAL CITY WALK, THE MALL OF AMERICA OUTSIDE
14 MINNEAPOLIS AND THE BELLAGIO HOTEL COMPLEX IN LAS VEGAS. IN
15 1984 HE WAS THE PRINCIPAL DESIGNER OF PROJECTS RELATED TO THE
16 L.A. OLYMPIC GAMES. BORN IN ALTON, ILLINOIS, HE HELD A LONELY
17 AND RESTLESS CHILDHOOD WITH AN ALCOHOLIC FATHER AND FREQUENT
18 MOVES IN SEARCH OF WORK. HE CHanneled HIS LONELINESS INTO A
19 CREATIVE DRIVE TO BUILD BACKYARD CONSTRUCTIONS OF VARIOUS
20 FOUND ITEMS, CREATING COMMUNITIES IN HIS IMAGINATION TO STAND
21 IN FOR THOSE HE MISSED IN REAL LIFE. "I GUESS I'M STILL DOING
22 IT," HE SAID IN A LATER INTERVIEW, "ON A SOMEWHAT GRANDER
23 SCALE." HE BEGAN AS AN ENGINEERING STUDENT AT U.C.L.A.,
24 TRANSFERRED TO U.S.C. WHERE HE GRADUATED IN ARCHITECTURE IN
25 1965. THE FIRM HE WENT ON TO FOUND, THE GIARDI PARTNERSHIP

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1 TODAY HAS A STAFF OF MORE THAN 100. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS
2 FOURTH WIFE, JANICE AMBRY JERDE, FIVE CHILDREN, THEIR SON
3 OLIVER AND FOUR CHILDREN FROM PREVIOUS MARRIAGES, DAUGHTERS
4 JENNIFER JERDE-CASTOR, MAGGIE JERDE-JOYCE AND KATE JERDE-COLE,
5 AND A SON CHRISTOPHER JERDE AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. AND
6 FINALLY, MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
7 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LAURIEI BECKLUND, AN AWARD-
8 WINNING FORMER STAFF WRITER AT THE L.A. TIMES. SHE RECENTLY
9 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 66 FOLLOWING A LONG BATTLE WITH
10 BREAST CANCER. SHE WAS RAISED IN SAN DIEGO, GRADUATED FROM
11 IMMACULATE HEART COLLEGE IN L.A. AND THE COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
12 GRADUATE SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM. SHE STUDIED AT UNIVERSIDAD
13 AUTONOMA DE MEXICO IN MEXICO CITY THEN SPENT 4-1/2 YEARS AT
14 THE "SAN DIEGO TRIBUNE" BEFORE SHE WAS RECRUITED TO THE SAN
15 DIEGO EDITION OF THE TIMES. SHE WON NUMEROUS AWARDS FOR HER
16 REPORTING ON BORDER AND IMMIGRATION ISSUES, THE CENTRAL
17 AMERICAN WARS, AND INVESTIGATIONS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL
18 DYSFUNCTION AT THE L.A. SCHOOL BOARD AND IN THE COUNTY
19 CORONER'S OFFICE. SHE ALSO WON WIDE ACCLAIM FOR THE REGINALD
20 DENNY BEATING AND ITS AFTERMATH IN THE 1992 L.A. RIOTS THAT
21 FOLLOWED THE RODNEY KING VERDICT. AFTER LEAVING THE L.A. TIMES
22 IN '93 SHE TURNED HER ATTENTION TO WRITING A SERIES OF WELL-
23 REVIEWED NONFICTION BOOKS AND FREELANCE WRITING FOR THE "NEW
24 REPUBLIC," "CALIFORNIA" MAGAZINE AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS. SHE
25 CREATED THE NONPROFIT ASSOCIATED STUDENT PRESS, WHOSE GOAL WAS

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1 TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALISM AND ENCOURAGE
2 NEWS EXECUTIVES TO SUPPORT AND PROMOTE GOOD JOURNALISM FROM A
3 YOUNG AGE TO SUSTAIN THE INDUSTRY. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER
4 HUSBAND, LAW PROFESSOR AND FORMER TIMES REPORTER HENRY
5 WEINSTEIN, HER MOTHER ELIZABETH LARSEN, HER SISTERS NANCY
6 SPENCER AND JULIE DIXON, HER DAUGHTER ELIZABETH ROSE BECKLUND
7 WEINSTEIN AND SEVERAL NIECES. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
10 WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'D SIMPLY LIKE TO SECOND THE MOTION ON
13 THE ADJOURNMENT FOR LAURIE BECKLUND, SOMEONE FROM GRADE SCHOOL
14 IMMACULATE HEART COLLEGE CERTAINLY DESERVES OUR
15 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND THE COVERAGE OF REGINALD DENNY WAS
16 EXCEPTIONAL.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THAT
19 WAS PROFESSOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AT THE TIME. OKAY. ROBERT
20 LUCAS. JOSE MARTINEZ. GIZELLA LANCOS. WHITNEY ENGERAN.

21

22 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON AGAIN. I STILL HAVE THE JACKET.
23 MR. THOMAS I WAS IMPRESSED WHEN YOU ADDRESSED THAT QUESTION
24 BECAUSE I WAS LISTENING ATTENTIVELY. IT WAS LIKE I HEARD THE
25 HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAY THAT HOMELESS, ADDICTION ISSUES,

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1 BEHAVIOR, LIFESTYLE, YOU ABANDON TREATMENT THAT CAN SAVE YOUR
2 LIFE. THAT DIDN'T MAKE ANY SENSE. WHAT IT SOUNDS LIKE AS FAR
3 AS FROM MY EXPERIENCE DEALING WITH SOME ISSUES WITH THE HEALTH
4 DEPARTMENT, YOU DON'T QUALIFY OR FALL UNDER THE PARAMETERS OF
5 WHAT'S WRITTEN, YOU'RE NOT GETTING SERVICE. HOW DO WE DO THAT?
6 I KNOW HERE IN THE UNITED STATES, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA,
7 WHERE I GREW UP, WE DON'T ABANDON PEOPLE. BECAUSE TO LOOK INTO
8 THE EYES OF SOMEBODY WHO AFFIRMS THAT THEY HAVE H.I.V., HOW
9 CAN YOU DENY THAT PERSON HELP? THAT CAN'T BE HAPPENING. I JUST
10 DON'T SEE THAT HAPPENING. WE DON'T THAT, RIGHT? I'M JUST
11 SAYING. WE JUST DON'T DO THAT. OKAY. THIS IS ABOUT THE A.B.09
12 STUFF BECAUSE I'M LIKE UP TO MY NECK IN THIS STUFF WITH THE
13 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. REALLY APPRECIATE
14 A VISIT. THE THING IS: I'M UP FOR AN EXTENSION WEDNESDAY. IF I
15 GET THIS EXTENSION GRANTED, BECAUSE I'M IN HOMELESS STATUS IN
16 THIS SOBER CLARITY DOWN BY THE COLISEUM. IF I GET THIS
17 EXTENSION, I DISCHARGE A.B.109. THEN I'M GOING TO START ASKING
18 FOR A JOB. AND I WOULDN'T MIND STANDING OUT IN THE MIDDLE OF
19 TRAFFIC IN L.A. COUNTY DIRECTING SOME OF THESE CRAZY PEOPLE
20 DRIVING CARS, BECAUSE I'M ON A BICYCLE DOWN THERE, AND SOME OF
21 THESE PEOPLE NEED TO HEAR A WHISTLE VERY LOUDLY. AND I LOVE
22 THIS CITY. I'M SO HAPPY THAT YOU HAVE EMBRACED ME AND NOT
23 HAVING ME THROWN OUT. EVEN YOUR SERGEANT AT ARMS IS QUITE AN
24 INDIVIDUAL OVER THERE. BEING A PART OF THIS PROCESS, WE'RE
25 GOING TO HAVE A CUP OF COFFEE.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DID YOU GO TO HIGH SCHOOL HERE?

3

4 **ROBERT LUCAS:** YES, I DID. SOUTHGATE HIGH SCHOOL.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SOUTHGATE. I WAS BORN IN HUNTINGTON
7 PARK.

8

9 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GO RAMS!

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YEAH, THEY BEAT US. ONE SECOND. WAYNE
12 SPINDLER. WAYNE SPINDLER. HERMAN HERMAN. JOHN WALSH. YES, SIR.

13

14 **WHITNEY ENGERAN:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS, WHITNEY ENGERAN AGAIN
15 FROM A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE A
16 FEW REALLY QUICK POINTS. AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL
17 COMMENTS DURING THIS DISCUSSION ON THE ITEM. ALLOCATIONS, IT
18 WAS STATED THAT ALLOCATIONS FOR SERVICES ARE MADE BY THE
19 COMMISSION. THAT'S PART OF THE ANSWER, BUT THAT'S NOT THE
20 WHOLE ANSWER. THE COMMISSION ON H.I.V. ALLOCATES PART A
21 RESOURCES AND PART B RESOURCES THAT COME FROM THE STATE. BUT
22 THEN THE COUNTY DECIDES, THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT DECIDES ON NET
23 COUNTY COST FUNDS ITSELF. THE COMMISSION DOES NOT PRIORITIZE
24 THAT NOR DOES IT PRIORITIZE C.D.C. FUNDS. SO I JUST THINK
25 THAT'S IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO THINK ABOUT. IT'S NOT JUST THE

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1 COMMISSION ON H.I.V., BUT ALSO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
2 HEALTH. I WANTED TO MAKE ALSO THE POINT TO YOU THAT OUR COUNTY
3 CONTRACTING PROCESS IS TOO LABORIOUS. I CAN'T IMAGINE THAT
4 THAT'S A SURPRISE FOR YOU TO HEAR. OUTPATIENT MEDICAL HAS ONLY
5 GONE OUT TWO TIMES SINCE 1996. SO I REALLY DO THINK THAT
6 THAT'S SOMETHING TO TAKE A LOOK AT. IT'S JUST NOT-- IT DOESN'T
7 MOVE FAST ENOUGH. WHEN YOU SAY THAT THE SYSTEM IS RESPONSIVE.
8 WHEN THERE ARE BIDS THAT ARE PUT OUT AND WHEN SERVICES ARE
9 CONTRACTED FOR. BUT THAT TAKES UPWARDS OF 26 MONTHS IN THE
10 CASE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO PUT OUT, BID AND
11 AWARD CONTRACTS. SO THAT IS A VERY CHALLENGING PROCESS. THE
12 LAST THING I'LL SAY IS THE COMMISSION IS CHARGED WITH DOING AN
13 ASSESSMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE MECHANISM WHICH IS TO LOOK AT
14 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND COME BACK WITH COMMENTS
15 WITH REGARDS TO HOW THEY'RE ADMINISTERING RYAN WHITE FUNDS.
16 THAT HASN'T BEEN DONE IN YEARS. SO I REALLY HOPE I WAS ON THE
17 COMMISSION THE LAST TIME THAT WAS DONE AND THERE WERE A LOT OF
18 THOUGHTFUL COMMENTS THAT WERE NEVER REALLY DEALT WITH. SO I
19 WOULD JUST SUGGEST TO YOU THAT THIS JURISDICTION, WHILE DOING
20 A LOT, AND I WORK IN A LOT OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS, AS WELL, IN
21 PROPORTION TO WHAT THE RESOURCES IT HAS AND THE NUMBER OF
22 PEOPLE LIVING WITH H.I.V., IT DOES NOT DO AS MUCH AS OTHER
23 PLACES. AND SO I WOULD JUST STRONGLY SUGGEST TO YOU THAT THERE
24 IS MORE THAT WE CAN DO AND WE CAN DO BETTER. AND I APPRECIATE
25 YOUR COMMENTS. THANK YOU.

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
3 ERIC PREVEN. ERIC PREVEN? YES, SIR.

4

5 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** OH, OKAY. YES. L.A. CITY, THERE'S GOING TO BE
6 TWO INITIATIVES WHICH ARE LOOKING NOT WHAT THEY REALLY ARE. I
7 URGE A NO VOTE ON THESE TWO MEASURES TO AMEND THIS L.A. CITY
8 CHARTER. AND I'M SURPRISED THE C.D.3 THAT SHEILA KUEHL HAS NOT
9 GIVEN A POSITION BECAUSE A HELL NO SHOULD BE ON BOTH OF THOSE
10 BECAUSE HERB WESSON AND HIS COUNCILMEN ARE TRYING TO EXTEND
11 THEIR TERM 12 YEARS PLUS ANOTHER YEAR AND A HALF ABOVE THAT
12 SHOULD THESE TWO SCAMS PASS. AND WE THE VOTERS ORIGINALLY
13 VOTED FOR TWO TERMS FOR OUR COUNCIL PEOPLE, OUR MAYOR. THEN
14 DENNIS ZEIN IN THE COUNCIL MADE IT THREE TERMS, 12 YEARS. NOW,
15 THEY'RE ATTEMPTING NOT ONLY WITH THE L.A. CITY COUNCIL BUT THE
16 L.A.U.S.D. SCHOOL BOARD TO DO THE SAME THING. THEY'RE CALLING
17 IT LOW VOTER TURNOUT THAT THEY'RE GOING TO MOVE THE ELECTIONS
18 TO EVEN YEARS INSTEAD OF ODD AND EVEN YEARS. BUT WHAT THEY'RE
19 REALLY DOING IS EXTENDING THEIR-- AND SOMEBODY COUGHED WHEN
20 THEY HEARD THIS-- SO THEY'RE EXTENDING THEIR TERMS 15, 18
21 MONTHS OUT MORE CLAIMING THEY NEED TO EQUALIZE THEIR TERMS TO
22 THESE EVEN YEARS. AND IT'S JUST A SCAM FOR THEM TO STAY IN
23 OFFICE BEYOND 12 YEARS OF OFFICE, MAKING IT OVER 13 YEARS.
24 THEY'RE GOING TO BE PAID SALARY. THEY'RE GOING TO BE PAID
25 PENSION. THEY'RE GOING TO BE PAID ALL THEIR BENEFITS. WE HAVE

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1 TO HAVE TERM LIMITS. WE'VE GOT TO GET THESE PEOPLE OUT OF
2 THERE AT A CERTAIN SET TIME. THEY CAN'T KEEP AMENDING THE CITY
3 CHARTER TO EXTEND THEIR TERMS WHEN THE VOTERS CLEARLY WANT THE
4 TERMS LIMITED. AND THAT'S WHY A NO VOTE AND AN INFORMATION
5 REACH SHOULD BE MET TO VOTE NO ON THOSE TWO CHARTER
6 AMENDMENTS.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

9

10 **HERMAN HERMAN:** IN CONTINUANCE TO THE GENTLEMAN SPEAKER, WE SEE
11 THAT WE SHOULD ALL VOTE NO ON AMENDMENT 1. VOTE NO ON
12 AMENDMENT 2. AND AS BROUGHT OUT, REGARDING THE CONTEMPTUOUS
13 ACTIONS OF THOSE ELECTED OFFICIALS AT CITY HALL, ISN'T IT
14 OBVIOUS, MISS SHEILA, THAT THEIR EXTENSION OF AMENDMENT JUST
15 NOTORIOUS, AS I PUT IT, STRAIGHT OUT TO DECEIVE AND CHEAT AND
16 DEFRAUD PUBLIC INTEREST IN AN ACCUMULATED TIMELINE. WE THE
17 PUBLIC, WE THE VOTERS DON'T EXTEND ANYONE TO GO BEYOND THAT
18 BECAUSE THEN IT BECOMES A CONFLICT OF INTEREST ALMOST AS
19 THOUGH YOU'RE SAYING I'M A POLITICAL, AND I'M GOING USE THE
20 WORD SLANGILY ON THIS, SLOB BECAUSE I WANT TO CONTROL THE
21 ACTIONS OF THE PUBLIC. WE ARE THE VOTERS. YOU ARE THE VOTERS.
22 AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO VOTE IN THE PROCESS BY THE STATE OF
23 CALIFORNIA AND NOT ALLOW THE INTERESTS OF THESE MALICIOUS
24 COUNCILMEN FROM THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO PERCEIVE THAT
25 THEY'RE DOING GOOD IN THE INTEREST OF PEOPLE. WE CANNOT ALWAYS

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1 RELY ON WHAT COMES OUT OF SOMEONE'S MOUTH FOR THE RECORD, MR.
2 HERB WESSON. BECAUSE IT IS TROUBLING AND A TROUBLING
3 IMPRESSION OF THE ARROGANCE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BEING SCORNFUL
4 AND INSULTING BECAUSE YOU LACK PUBLIC INTEREST. YOU LACK
5 PUBLIC POLICY. AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA REFUSES, AND I'LL
6 SAY IT FOR THE RECORD, TO ALLOW THIS INAPPROPRIATENESS. SO SAY
7 NO TO ALL THE AMENDMENTS. VOTE NO FOR JOSE HUIZAR'S RE-
8 ELECTION. VOTE NO FOR HERB WESSON. MAKE THIS AS A NOTICE TO
9 OUR DECISIONS AS AMERICAN VOTERS.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. WALSH?

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13 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.
14 SOME OF YOU OUT THERE ARE NOT IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, IF
15 YOU ARE, NO ON AMENDMENTS 1 AND 2. SOME OF YOU ARE ALSO
16 OUTSIDE THE CITY BUT IN A COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD. VOTE FOR
17 STEVE SCHULTE. STEVE SCHULTE. STEVE SCHULTE OVER SCOTT
18 _____. WE'D LIKE TO SAY GRACE YU FOR CITY COUNCIL. SHE JUST
19 RECENTLY EXPOSED A KOREATOWN LIQUOR LICENSE. AND AS EVERYONE
20 KNOWS OUT THERE WHO IS BLACK AND BROWN, BLACK AND BROWN PEOPLE
21 ARE NOT WELCOME IN KOREATOWN. THEY CAN'T GET JOBS THERE AND IF
22 THEY TRY TO GO INTO A BAR, THEY ARE THROWN OUT. WHEN I SPEAK
23 AS A WHITE MAN, WHAT DOES A WHITE MAN KNOW ABOUT RACISM? WE
24 INVENTED RACISM AND KOREATOWN HAS ADOPTED RACISM. NO ON 1 AND
25 2. ANYBODY BUT ANTONIO VILLARAIGOSA FOR SENATE. THEY CALLED,

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1 DID YOU SEE THE VICIOUS, VILE RACIST CARTOON IN THE L.A. TIMES
2 SHOWING WILLIE BROWN AS A GANGSTER. AS A GANGSTER! WHAT
3 GARBAGE THESE RACIST PEOPLE. BUT YOU KNOW THEY'RE WHITE AND
4 YOU GOT TO SIT THERE. YOU GOT TO PLAY THE GAME AND NOT ONE
5 SINGLE BLACK PERSON HAS GOTTEN UP, BLACK POLITICIAN AND TALKED
6 ABOUT IT. THEY SHOW HIM AS A GANGSTER SAYING NO VILLARAIGOSA.
7 REMEMBER, WHEN YOU'RE DEALING WITH THE WOMAN WHO IS RUNNING
8 FOR OUR ATTORNEY GENERAL, KAMALA HARRIS, SHE IS A BLACK WOMAN.
9 AND ONLY WHITE RACISTS SAY, "WELL IF SHE'S NOT BLACK ENOUGH TO
10 INCITE MY LIBERAL GUILT AND SHE IS AN ASIAN BECAUSE HER MOTHER
11 WAS BORN IN INDIA." I'M SORRY. ASIANS ARE INDIANS, TOO.
12 THEY'RE NOT ALL ORIENTALS. THEY DON'T ALL HAVE YELLOW SKIN.
13 OKAY? ANTONIO IS GARBAGE. VOTE FOR KAMALA HARRIS. HOLLYWOOD
14 HIGHLANDS.ORG.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. PREVEN?

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18 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, THANK YOU, SIR. IT IS ERIC PREVEN, THE
19 COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. TODAY IS A HISTORIC DAY,
20 OBVIOUSLY. I'VE WANTED TO THANK MR. KNABE FOR AFTER THE 10
21 YEARS WITH LEGACY PARTNERS II, WE ARE EXTENDING FOR FIVE YEARS
22 THE CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES FACILITY, THE 65,000 SQUARE
23 FEET AND IT HAS 380 PARKING SPACES. AND I JUST HOPE THAT WE'RE
24 HAPPY WITH THE FACILITY. THESE ARE GREAT PARTNERS IN THE
25 MARINA AND OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY. AND I JUST HOPE THAT

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1 THAT WORKS OUT WELL FOR EVERYBODY. ITEM NO. 11 IS NINE
2 CONSULTANTS BEING BROUGHT IN TO HELP WITH HUMAN RESOURCES
3 THINGS. ONE OF THEM IS BUCK CONSULTANTS. NOW, BUCK, IF I'M NOT
4 MISTAKEN, HAS BEEN ACQUIRED BY XEROX SOLUTIONS AND IF THAT'S
5 TRUE, LET'S JUST MONITOR THAT BECAUSE THEY DO, IN FACT, HAVE A
6 ROBUST LOBBYING PROGRAM, BOTH CITY, COUNTY AND M.T.A.,
7 FRANKLY. SO JUST HAVE YOUR RADAR UP, NEW SUPERVISORS. ITEM NO.
8 9, AND IT CONNECTS WITH ITEM NO. 37, IS OF COURSE THE SMALL
9 CRAFT HARBOR DESIGN CONTROL BOARD. THIS IS A GROUP THAT IS
10 DESIGNED TO SORT OF FEEDBACK FOR THE PUBLIC AND APPROVE ITEMS.
11 BUT IT DIDN'T APPROVE OF SOMETHING CALLED BOAT CENTRAL. YET
12 TEAM MARINA, UNDER THE TUTELAGE OF MR. HAFFETZ, MR. KNABE, MR.
13 BEACHES AND HARBORS WHOSE NAME ESCAPES ME MR. JONES PUSHED IT
14 THROUGH NONETHELESS AND IT GOT BY THE COASTAL COMMISSION, TOO.
15 I WOULD ASK 3 AND 4 TO TAKE A LOOK AT THAT BECAUSE IT'S
16 PREPOSTEROUS, IT IS VALET BOAT PARKING SYSTEMS FOR ORDINARY
17 RESIDENTS TO COME IN FROM OTHER PARTS OF THE DISTRICT, LIKE IN
18 YOUR PART OF THE DISTRICT, MR. MAYOR, WHERE THERE IS NOT A
19 BEACH. ITEM NO. 25, MR. SALADINO, I WILL IMPLORE YOU ONE MORE
20 TIME TO STOP THE MADNESS. WE CANNOT CONTINUE TO HAVE 2 PERCENT
21 NEARLY OF EVERY JOB ORDER CONTRACT GO TO SOUTH CAROLINA. THIS
22 IS TECHNOLOGY IN 2015 THAT CAN BE APPLIED BY OUR OWN PUBLIC
23 WORKS TEAM. WE ABSOLUTELY NEED THAT HELP AND WE SHOULD BE
24 LEADERS FOR THE GUYS OVER AT L.A. CITY WHO, I MUST TELL YOU

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1 THEY'RE QUITE LOST ON SOME OF THE BASIC RESPONSIBILITIES LIKE
2 THE SIDEWALK REPAIR.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. PREVEN.

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6 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
7 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS
9 NO. C.S.-1 AND C.S.-2, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
10 REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION AS INDICATED ON
11 THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT
12 THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS
13 SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2015 AT 1 O'CLOCK P.M.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

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